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THE ATTORNEY GENERAL U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
 DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL-
 SECURITY (SSC)

Reference is made to the
 SSC request dated August
 20, 1975, for materials concerning Martin Luther
 King, Jr. Enclosed for ur approval and forwarding
 to the SSC is the orig of a memo in partial
 response to the Aug 20, 1975, request. Also
 enclosed for ur records is a copy of the memo
 which is being delivered to u with a set of the
 materials which are being delivered to the SSC.

SSC LETTER 8/20/75
PART VII
ITEM # 9

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ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Miss Holmes
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Simpson
- 1 - Mr. Rozamus

(IS) 100-442529

JUNE

June 22, 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

RE: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

My memorandum of April 28, 1966, pointed out that a technical surveillance on the headquarters of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 330 Auburn Avenue, Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia, provided valuable intelligence information.

In accordance with your notation on the above memorandum, this technical surveillance was discontinued on June 21, 1966.

Very truly yours,

5-25
6-22-66
John Edgar Hoover
BY [Signature] Director



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NOTE: This memorandum is classified "Secret" since it concerns a technical surveillance, the unauthorized disclosure of which could result in serious damage to the Bureau's security coverage to the detriment of national security.

This technical surveillance was installed on 11/8/63. Memorandum of 10/27/65 justifying the continuation of the installation was returned by the Attorney General indicating approval. Memorandum dated 4/28/66, recommending continuance of this technical surveillance was returned with a notation by the Attorney General dated 6/20/66, "I think this coverage should be discontinued, particularly in light of possible charges of a criminal nature against Hosea Williams and possibly others."

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Memorandum for the Attorney General

NOTE CONTINUED:

Inspector J.A. Sizoo contacted SAC Atlanta on 6/21/66, instructing that this technical surveillance coverage be discontinued immediately. It was discontinued at 1:00 p.m., 6/21/66.

The Attorney General's notation concerning Hosea Williams refers to an Interstate Transportation of Stolen Motor Vehicles case under investigation by the Bureau wherein the principal subject Harold Belton Andrews alleges he stole four automobiles for subsequent sale to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference headed by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. It was developed by investigation one of these stolen vehicles had been in the possession of Hosea Williams who is the Director of Voter Registration for King's organization. Due to the ramifications involving the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and the civil rights movement, the Criminal Division of the Department has been directing the prosecution in this case rather than the U.S. Attorney. Following presentation of the case to a Federal Grand Jury by Departmental attorneys Andrews and one other person were indicted, however, Hosea Williams was not indicted.

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Date: 5/9/66

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AIRMAIL

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529) JUNE
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)
RE: CIRM

UACB, as of 5/13/66 Atlanta will include all existing highly confidential sources under one symbol number; namely, AT 1380-S*. This symbol will be utilized in all subsequent communications. *ELSVK*

Atlanta will, for purposes of its own administrative expediency, utilize a partial breakdown of symbols under AT 1380-S*.

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

FBI

Date: 5/2/66

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

JUNE

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)

RE: CIRM

Re Bureau airtel dated 4/26/66 re AT 1386-S*

AT 1386-S* was formerly utilized to cover source of information relating to WATS service afforded SCLC offices. During survey conducted relating to existing phone service at SCLC in April, 1966, it was determined SCLC had discontinued their WATS service. Orders have been placed on 4/27/66 with sources at Southern Bell to cancel leased lines for this source.

AT 1386-S* discontinued during April, 1966.

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C. C. Wick

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M. Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

6 MAY 13 1966

FBI

Date: 5/2/66

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529) JUNE
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)
RE: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN
RACIAL MATTERS
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Re Bureau airtel 4/15/66.

With full security, Tesurs authorized in referenced airtel installed and extended coverage effective as of 4/29/66.

AT 1393-S* assigned to telephone # 522-1425
AT 1394-S* assigned to telephone # 522-1426
AT 1395-S* assigned to telephone # 522-1427 and
AT 1396-S* assigned to telephone # 522-1428.

All of the above telephone numbers are trunk lines in rotary terminating in a 756A Series Switchboard located in office space of SCLC at 330 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Ga. S

AT 1397-S* is assigned to cover telephone # 522-1960, an unlisted telephone which does not appear on switchboard at SCLC, but terminates directly in office space of SCLC at 330 Auburn Ave., N. E., Atlanta, Ga.

All five leased lines for above coverage were leased from 328 Auburn Ave. (location of X-Frame) to 300 W. Peachtree St., N. W., Atlanta, Ga.

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____

Special Agent in Charge

MAY 18 1966

ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

4/26/66

Airtel

- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Rozamus
- 1 - Mr. Basher

To: SAC, Atlanta (100-6670-E)

From: Director, FBI (100-442529) JUNE

CIRM

Re letter 4/21/66 requesting justification for continuation of technical coverage at Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) Headquarters.

You indicated in referenced letter that the symbol numbers for this coverage are AT 1380-S* through AT 1386-S*. However, by letter dated 4/11/66 captioned "CIRM," you advised that the WATS line at SCLC offices (AT 1386-S*) has been discontinued.

By return airtel, advise current status of AT 1386-S*.

PTB:rth (6)
NOTE:

Atlanta in submitting quarterly justification for continuation of technical coverage at SCLC Headquarters indicated symbol numbers currently assigned to this coverage are AT 1380-S* through AT 1386-S*. Atlanta had recently completed a survey of SCLC offices and advised by letter 4/11/66 that the WATS service, SCLC Headquarters has been discontinued. This service was assigned symbol number AT 1386-S*. Airtel being sent to Atlanta to clarify status of this symbol number.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

JUNE

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (Bufile 100-442529) DATE: 4/21/66

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)

SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title Communist Influence in Racial Matters

Character of Case Internal Security - C

Field Office Atlanta *EISURS*

Symbol Number AT 1380-S* through AT 1386-S*

Type of Surveillance: (Technical or Microphone) Technical

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1. Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

CA.

2. Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:

Installation made at 328 Auburn Avenue, N. E.

K

3. Location of monitoring plant:

300 West Peachtree Street, N. E.
Apartment 20K

B. Baker

4. Dates of initial authorization and installation:

10/15/63 7/8/64
11/8/63 7/10/64

5. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):

None

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6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:

a. Is a trunk line utilized? Yes

b. Is the surveillance on a switchboard? Yes

c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone? No

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d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line? Private

e. If a party line, how many parties? -

7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each: -

8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination:

No

9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)

See Addendum

10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?

No

11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject: One, however circumstances do not permit coverage of identical nature.

12. Has security factor changed since installation?

No

13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):

None

14. Cost of Plant Premises:

a. Rental costs for plant premises: \$250.00 per month

b. Give total number of other surveillances monitored at same plant.
None

- c. If any others, set out the proportionate cost of instant surveillance:

Not applicable

15. Cost of Leased Line for instant installation?

\$26.00 per month

16. Personnel Costs:

- a. Give total number of special employees and/or Special Agents working at plant and total salary costs.

Three Agents	Total Annual Salaries
One Investigative	\$38,324.00
Clerk	

- b. Total number of man hours per week spent at plant?

213

- c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:

Not applicable

- d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:

Not applicable

17. Remarks (By SAC):

Recommend surveillance be continued for 90 days.

18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

(If this surveillance involves cryptanalysis, include statement that decrypted material is or is not sufficiently important to continue decrypting.)

See memorandum for the Attorney General, dated April 28, 1966, prepared by PTB:pjn, captioned " Communist Influence in Racial Matters."

Fifteen pages deleted containing totally information
obtained from ELSUR coverage of Southern Christian Leadership
Conference.

ADDENDUM:

Item 9

Action Taken:

In all of the following instances Letterhead Memorandums (and/or other expeditious communications) were submitted to the Bureau and to interested offices and leads were set out where necessary.

Date Furnished: 1/18/66

Nature of Information:

HARRY WACHTEL suggested to ANDREW J. YOUNG, Executive Director, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), that SCLC raise money for payment of poll tax in Alabama. He told YOUNG to contact RALPH HELSTEIN in order to obtain a donation for the "poll tax escrow fund."

Value:

CP connections of HELSTEIN and WACHTEL have previously been established.

Shows WACHTEL suggesting future activity for SCLC.

Date Furnished: 1/18/66

Nature of Information:

ISOBEL CERNEY arranged with HARRY G. BOYTE, Director, Project Dialogue, SCLC, to subsequently discuss the Vietnam issue with him.

Value:

CP connections of CERNEY and CP affiliation of BOYTE previously established.

Shows SCLC official with CP affiliation willing to discuss Vietnam issues with individual having CP connections.

Date Furnished: 1/24/66

Nature of Information:

STANLEY LEVISON requested Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, SCLC, to review an "appeal letter" LEVISON had prepared in order that he could proceed with the mail appeal drive for funds.

Value:

CP connections of LEVISON previously established.

Indicates interest and participation in SCLC fund raising by LEVISON.

Date Furnished: 1/25/66

Nature of Information:

DORA E. MC DONALD, Secretary to the President, SCLC, told CLAUDETTE MATTHEWS, SCLC switchboard operator, that STANLEY LEVISON is "our lawyer."

Value:

Indicates status in which SCLC holds LEVISON.

Date Furnished: 1/25/66

Nature of Information:

LEVISON told MC DONALD he had completed preparation of an article for Reverend KING to be published in the "National Observer."

Value:

Shows reliance of KING upon LEVISON for preparation of article for national distribution ostensibly prepared by KING.

Date Furnished: 1/27/66

Nature of Information:

JOHN E. JACOBS, Office Manager, Southern Coordinating Committee to End the War in Vietnam (SCCVN), discussed with KAREN BARKER, SCLC secretary, forthcoming activity on the part of SCCVN in opposition to the war in Vietnam.

Value:

CP connection of JACOBS previously established. Shows interest by SCLC employee in anti-Vietnam activity.

Date Furnished: 2/4/66

Nature of Information:

One W. P. DANE, JR. (phonetic) forwarded to SCLC a check for \$926.22 payable to the American Foundation on Non-Violence (AFN). Reverend KING instructed DOROTHY L. GAINES, Executive Secretary, SCLC, to forward this check to WACHTEL.

Value:

Shows KING's recognition of WACHTEL as responsible official for AFN.

Date Furnished: 2/8/66

Nature of Information:

A woman whose identity not known asked RANDOLPH T. BLACKWELL, Program Director, SCLC, to suggest someone who could advise regarding small businesses. BLACKWELL recommended LEVISON and described LEVISON as SCLC's "oldest and best friend."

Value:

CP connections of BLACKWELL previously established.

Shows LEVISON's status with SCLC as expressed by ranking official of SCLC who has CP background.

Date Furnished: 2/9/66

Nature of Information:

JACOBS told A. DWAIN WILDER, subsistence worker, SCLC, that the steering committee of SCCVN was composed of JOHN BARBER, Executive Assistant to the President, SCLC, BOYTE, ANNE BRADEN and VIRGINIA COLLINS.

Value:

CP affiliations of BARBER and CP connections of BRADEN and COLLINS previously established.

Shows influence of CP oriented persons including two ranking SCLC officials in control of SCCVN.

Date Furnished: 2/10/66

Nature of Information:

BARBER furnished ARNOLD JOHNSON pertinent information enabling him and GUS HALL to attend a "speak-out" on Vietnam being held that date in Atlanta. BARBER told JOHNSON he would be interested in talking with him and HALL.

Value:

Current CP position of JOHNSON and HALL previously established.

Shows ranking SCLC official furnishing information of assistance to two leading CP officials and offering to converse further with them.

Date Furnished: 2/11/66

Nature of Information:

ISOBEL CERNEY arranged to meet BARBER on 2/11/66 in order for him to review some material she had written (not identified).

Value:

Furnished opportunity for Special Agents to observe contact between SCLC official having CP affiliation and individual having CP background.

Date Furnished: 2/11/66

Nature of Information:

GEORGE MYERS contacted BARKER in effort to meet with BOYTE pursuant to a previous request by BOYTE.

Value:

MYERS' CP connections previously established.

Shows effort by SCLC official to contact CP figure.

Date Furnished: 2/15/66

Nature of Information:

LEVISON furnished MC DONALD a list of labor unions to whom a request for financial contributions to SCLC would be directed.

Value:

Shows participation by LEVISON in SCLC fund raising activity.

Date Furnished: 3/1/66

Nature of Information:

LEVISON told MC DONALD he had prepared a letter for Reverend KING to forward to Senator ROBERT KENNEDY commending KENNEDY's recent proposal to include the Viet Cong in a coalition government in South Vietnam.

Value:

Shows utilization of LEVISON by KING in expressing his position in regard to United States policy concerning Vietnam.

Date Furnished: 3/8/66

Nature of Information:

LEVISON inquired of SCLC Finance Office as to recent receipts from the mail appeal LEVISON handles. He complained of the slowness on the part of SCLC in forwarding receipts concerning the appeal. LEVISON told JFK Act 6 (4) SCLC Finance Office employee, that SCLC must hire additional employees in its Finance Office.

Value:

Reveals extent of LEVISON's interest and participation in SCLC fund raising activity including suggestions for improvement in system used by SCLC.

Date Furnished: 3/10/66

Nature of Information:

MC DONALD told Reverend KING that LEVISON had suggested he return a check for \$1,000 received by him from the Transport Workers Union and request the check be made payable to SCLC. LEVISON said if this was done the union would probably forward a larger amount to SCLC.

Value:

Shows influence of LEVISON in SCLC financial matters.

Date Furnished: 3/14/66

Nature of Information:

CORETTA S. KING, wife of Reverend KING, told MC DONALD that several years ago BAYARD RUSTIN suggested the idea of a "coordinating committee" in the civil rights movement which actually gave birth to SCLC. CORETTA commented that RUSTIN was more important to the civil rights movement than WACHTEL.

Value:

CP connections of RUSTIN previously established.

Shows estimation of RUSTIN's value to civil rights movement generally and to SCLC specifically on the part of Reverend KING's wife.

Date Furnished: 3/14/66

Nature of Information:

WACHTEL told MC DONALD he was in Washington, D. C. in effort to ascertain what President JOHNSON would comment upon on 3/16/66 regarding civil rights. KING told MC DONALD he wanted to promptly discuss with WACHTEL whatever he ascertained.

Value:

Reflects effort by WACHTEL on behalf of the civil rights movement and KING's interest therein.

Date Furnished: 3/14/66

Nature of Information:

A Mr. (FNU) PETERSON, Human Relations Council, New Haven, Connecticut, requested to be placed in touch with the individual in charge of fund raising for SCLC. KING instructed MC DONALD to have PETERSON contact LEVISON.

Value:

Indicates KING considers LEVISON in charge of SCLC fund raising.

Date Furnished: 3/14/66

Nature of Information:

WACHTEL told BLACKWELL he had determined what President JOHNSON would shortly propose regarding civil rights and said these proposals are "very thin." He discussed with BLACKWELL whether Reverend KING should "blast" the President's proposals or merely comment they were not sufficient. WACHTEL suggested the latter.

Value:

Reflects a determination by two individuals having CP connections, one an officer of SCLC, as to how Reverend KING should respond to anticipated proposals made by the President of the United States concerning civil rights.

Date Furnished: 3/16/66

Nature of Information:

WACHTEL furnished MC DONALD a press release he had prepared for Reverend KING to utilize following a statement regarding civil rights expected to be made by President JOHNSON on 3/16/66.

Value:

Reflects preparation of public statement for use of Reverend KING by WACHTEL.

Date Furnished: 3/22/66

Nature of Information:

ERIC KINDBERG, SCLC field worker, discussed with BLACKWELL SCLC's participation in the Chicago racial situation. KINDBERG said he was not very enthusiastic about SCLC activity in Chicago because he thought there were more pressing problems in the South. BLACKWELL told KINDBERG he would endeavor to spend some time in Chicago in the near future to evaluate the situation KINDBERG referred to.

Value:

CP affiliation of KINDBERG previously established.

Shows interest in SCLC activity in Chicago on part of SCLC official with CP background and SCLC employee with CP affiliation.

Date Furnished: 3/25/66

Nature of Information:

RACHEL DU BOIS, employee, Project Dialogue, SCEC, told MC DONALD she was preparing a six months report regarding support (not explained) and asked MC DONALD if it were correct that LEVISON operated directly through Reverend KING. MC DONALD said this was correct.

Value:

Shows relative status of LEVISON to KING as expressed by KING's secretary.

Date Furnished: 3/25/66

Nature of Information:

MC DONALD told KING that CLARENCE JONES had previously addressed a labor organization (not identified) for KING and as a result had obtained a \$1,000 donation for SCLC.

Value:

CP connections of JONES previously established.

Reveals effort on part of JONES on behalf of SCLC's financial position.

Date Furnished: 3/29/66

Nature of Information:

EDWINA M. SMITH, Executive Secretary, SCLC, told Reverend KING the Resolutions Committee of SCLC included RUSTIN, WACHTEL and LAWRENCE D. REDDICK. She asked if LEVISON was included in this committee. KING said he could not recall but would see LEVISON on 4/6/66 and would straighten the matter out.

Value:

CP connections of REDDICK previously established.

Shows SCLC Resolutions Committee composed of three individuals (and probably four) having CP connections.

Date Furnished: 3/30/66

Nature of Information:

CAROL HOOVER, Director of Special Events, SCLC and BLACKWELL discussed some arrangements pertaining to forthcoming SCLC board meeting in Miami.

Value:

CP connection of HOOVER previously established.

Shows participation by two SCLC officials with CP connections in arrangements for SCLC board meeting.

Date Furnished: 3/30/66

Nature of Information:

WILLIAM STEIN, in charge of SCLC church promotion, told MC DONALD he was forwarding for Reverend KING's approval a copy of a letter he and LEVISON had prepared. He said this letter would be sent to a select group of clergy in effort to obtain financial contributions to SCLC.

Value:

Shows influence of LEVISON in SCLC fund raising activity.

Date Furnished: 3/30/66

Nature of Information:

BLACKWELL requested CORDY T. VIVIAN, former SCLC official who retains some connection with SCLC, to attend SCLC executive staff meeting 4/11/66 and board meeting 4/12-13/66 in Miami.

Value:

VIVIAN's CP background previously established.

Reflects intention of two SCLC representatives having CP background to attend SCLC executive staff and board meeting.

Date Furnished: 4/1/66

Nature of Information:

CHAUNCEY ESKRIDGE, SCLC legal counselor, advised JUNIUS GRIFFIN, Director of Public Relations, SCLC, arrangements had been completed for a Sunday morning radio program featuring Reverend KING which would commence 4/10/66. ESKRIDGE said three of these programs had been taped and that Reverend KING's speeches had been prepared by BARBER.

Value:

Shows that KING's speeches for weekly radio broadcast prepared by SCLC official having CP affiliation.

Date Furnished: 4/4/66

Nature of Information:

WACHTEL told MC DONALD he expected RUSTIN to arrive in Miami 4/11/66 to attend SCLC board meeting commencing 4/12/66.

Value:

Reveals RUSTIN planned to attend SCLC board meeting.

Date Furnished: 4/4/66

Nature of Information:

WACHTEL told MC DONALD he and LEVISON would see Reverend KING at SCLC Research Committee meeting in WACHTEL's office on 4/6/66.

Value:

Reveals LEVISON and WACHTEL to be members of SCLC Research Committee.

Date Furnished: 4/4/66

Nature of Information:

LEVISON discussed with BLACKWELL an SCLC workshop BLACKWELL had previously organized. LEVISON arranged with BLACKWELL to discuss this matter and BLACKWELL's suggestions for future workshops more fully with him during the 4/12-13/66 SCLC board meeting.

Value:

Shows LEVISON's interest in SCLC workshops handled by SCLC official having CP background.

Date Furnished: 4/4/66

Nature of Information:

LEVISON told YOUNG he felt SCLC should issue a definite statement regarding the war in Vietnam rather than a mere condemnation of current U. S. policy regarding Vietnam.

Value:

Reveals LEVISON suggesting to Executive Director, SCLC, the position SCLC should take regarding U. S. policy in Vietnam.

Date Furnished: 4/4/66

Nature of Information:

YOUNG requested LEVISON to raise \$5,000 to \$10,000 for SCLC by 5/3/66 to use for "political campaign purposes." LEVISON assured YOUNG he would start immediately.

Value:

Shows reliance of SCLC on LEVISON to obtain funds for SCLC.

Date Furnished: 4/6/66

Nature of Information:

JUDITH SHAPIRO stated she is Civil Rights Chairman of the Atlanta Branch of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) and told ANNELLE PONDER "they" were interested in changing the character (not explained) of books used in Atlanta Public Schools. She inquired of PONDER whether SCLC would assist WILPF in a "campaign" for this purpose. PONDER agreed to discuss this matter with SHAPIRO subsequently. (PONDER is SCLC Citizenship employee.)

Value:

Reflects effort by individual with CP background to obtain SCLC assistance in campaign to be conducted by WILPF.

Date Furnished: 4/11/66

Nature of Information:

JONES told SMITH he would attend the SCLC board meeting 4/12-13/66 in Miami.

Value:

Reveals JONES' intention to attend SCLC board meeting.

Date Furnished: 4/15/66

Nature of Information:

RUSTIN discussed with Reverend KING the desire of some unidentified individuals that Reverend KING go to Santo Domingo in connection with "free elections" (not explained). RUSTIN told Reverend KING he would go to Santo Domingo in view of Reverend KING's inability to do so.

Value:

Reveals liaison on part of RUSTIN with unidentified individuals interested in KING participating in political activity outside of the United States.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

JUNE

TO : DIRECTOR (Bufile 100-442529) DATE: 4/11/66

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FOR INSTALLATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title CIRM

Character of Case IS - C
Field Office Atlanta
Symbol Number To be assigned
Type of Surveillance (Technical ~~or~~
MICROPHONE)

1. Name and address of person or organization on whom surveillance is to be placed: Southern Christian Leadership Conference
330 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia
2. A. Address where installation is to be made (set forth exact room number or area to be covered): 328 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia
B. Location where monitoring plant is to be maintained: 330 W. Peachtree Street, N. E., Atlanta, Ga. (Location of present plant).
3. Previous and other current installations on the same subject:
7 tesurs previously authorized on this facility. One has recently been disconnected (WATS) leaving 6 in operation.

4. Cost and manpower involved: Cost of 5 leased lines at approximately \$3.50 each or \$17.50 per month.

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5. Adequacy of security: Full security assured.

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Risks of detection are considered at a minimum.

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Indefinite

14. Request made for technical surveillance by any outside agency
(name specific official, title and agency):

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16. Recommendation of Assistant Director:

See Buairtel to Atlanta dated 4/15/66, captioned "CIRM."

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To: SAC, Atlanta (100-6670E)

From: Director, FBI (100-442529) - 1734

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ReATlet dated 4-11-66.

Permission granted to extend technical coverage at Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) headquarters, provided full security is assured.

Advise by airtel time and date extended coverage effected.

Permission for technical coverage at Martin Luther King, Jr.'s residence is not being approved at this time.

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NOTE:

We currently have tesur SCLC headquarters, 330 Auburn Avenue, Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia, furnishing valuable information re communist influence on racial situation in U.S. Atlanta in relet advised as result of certain changes in physical layout SCLC headquarters, four additional trunk lines and one unleased private line have been installed. This extended coverage of SCLC headquarters desirable in view of valuable information being received. This is an extension of a technical surveillance already authorized by the Attorney General and no additional authorization from Attorney General required.

Atlanta in relet also requested tesur King's residence. King presently spending great majority of time out of town and it appears most matters of interest to us are obtained from coverage of SCLC headquarters. Therefore, tesur on residence not approved.

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Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 4/11/66

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)

SUBJECT: CIRM

Re Bureau letters 2/25/66 and 2/28/66, authorizing surveys on residence of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., 234 Sunset Avenue, N. W., Atlanta, Georgia, and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference offices. Further reference is made to Atlanta airtel dated 3/31/66 regarding these matters.

Information has been developed that the residence of KING has two working phones which are not now being covered. It is noted that Tesur was previously utilized on KING at 563 Johnson Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia; however, in April, 1965 he moved to new address at 234 Sunset Avenue. Survey was conducted at this time for continuation of Tesur and favorably recommended to Bureau. This recommendation was declined by the Bureau. No coverage has been in effect since that date on residence. It is again recommended that Tesur be made providing complete coverage of residence.

At time of recommending survey for SCLC offices it was noted that certain changes had occurred in the physical layout of the facilities of SCLC. As the Bureau is aware Tesurs have already been authorized and functioning on 5 trunk lines; a WATS line and an unlisted private line. Current survey reflects that the WATS service has been discontinued. It is also noted that another unlisted private line has been installed and that four additional trunk lines are now in use at SCLC.

It is recommended that Tesurs be authorized for these additional four trunk lines and the additional private unlisted line which are all located within SCLC offices. It is further recommended that Tesurs be authorized for full coverage on the residence of KING which involves two lines. Above 7 Tesurs recommended for installation with full security assured.

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Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR (Bufile 100-442529) DATE: 4/11/66

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FOR INSTALLATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title CIRM

Character of Case IS - C
Field Office Atlanta
Symbol Number To be Assigned
Type of Surveillance (Technical or ~~Microphone~~)X

- Name and address of person or organization on whom surveillance is to be placed: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
234 Sunset Avenue, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia
- A. Address where installation is to be made (set forth exact room number or area to be covered): 320 Sunset Avenue, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia.
B. Location where monitoring plant is to be maintained: 330 W. Peachtree Street, N. E.,
Atlanta, Georgia
(Location of Present Plant)
- Previous and other current installations on the same subject:
None at residence. Coverage presently had on office through 6 Tesurs located on SCLC, 330 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

- Cost and manpower involved: Cost involves monthly charges of leased lines at \$3.50 each or \$7.00 plus cost of salary of additional Investigative Clerk.

- Adequacy of security: Full security assured.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 2/18/66

FROM : *JA* SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670E)

"JUNE"

SUBJECT: CIRM

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As the Bureau is aware, several highly confidential sources have furnished extremely valuable information concerning captioned matter in regard to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), 334 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta.

Recent information strongly suggests that a number of changes in SCLC personnel and modification of that organization's facilities tend to curtail information available to the aforementioned sources.

The Bureau is requested to authorize Atlanta to conduct an appropriate survey in regard to SCLC's current facilities in order to determine changes which have occurred and in what manner the productivity of Atlanta sources may be increased.

The requested survey will be conducted with full security. Appropriate recommendations will be made at the conclusion thereof.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 2/18/66

FROM : *JWP* SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670E)

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SUBJECT: CIRM

ELSON

Former AT 1379-S* afforded coverage of the residence of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). This source was discontinued 4/30/65 in view of KING changing his residence.

Information received from other existing sources frequently indicates that contacts are made of or initiated by KING which are pertinent to captioned matter. Many contacts are also indicated which relate to the potential development of counterintelligence data pertaining to KING.

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A casual review of information furnished by former AT 1379-S* during the 90 day period prior to that source's discontinuance reveals there were 18 contacts of KING by individuals having CP connections (HARRY BELAFONTE, CLARENCE JONES, BAYARD RUSTIN, HARRY WACHTEL) and 11 contacts by KING of females relating to extra-marital activity on his part.

The Bureau is requested to authorize Atlanta to conduct pertinent survey of telephone facilities utilized by KING at his residence, 234 Sunset Avenue, N. W., Atlanta, in order that appropriate recommendations may be made.

The requested survey will be conducted with full security.

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JUNE

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (Bufile 100-442529) DATE: 1/21/66

FROM : *JRP* SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)

SUBJECT: *Jmi* JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title Communist Influence in
Racial Matters
Character of Case Internal Security - C
Field Office Atlanta
Symbol Number AT 1380-S* through AT 1386-S*
Type of Surveillance: (Technical or
Microphone) Technical *E.O.*

~~X~~ CONF. DATA

- Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
- Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:
Installation made at 328 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
- Location of monitoring plant:
300 West Peachtree Street, N. E.
Apartment 20K

- Dates of initial authorization and installation:
10/15/63 7/8/64
11/8/63 7/10/64
- Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):
None

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6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:

- Is a trunk line utilized? Yes
- Is the surveillance on a switchboard? Yes
- Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone? No

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d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line? Private

e. If a party line, how many parties? -

7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each: -

8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination:

No

9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)

See Addendum

10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?

No

11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject:

One, however circumstances do not permit coverage of identical nature.

12. Has security factor changed since installation?

No

13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):

None

14. Cost of Plant Premises:

a. Rental costs for plant premises: \$250.00 per month

b. Give total number of other surveillances monitored at same plant.
None

- c. If any others, set out the proportionate cost of instant surveillance:

Not applicable

15. Cost of Leased Line for instant installation?

\$26.00 per month

16. Personnel Costs:

- a. Give total number of special employees and/or Special Agents working at plant and total salary costs.

Three Agents	Total Annual Salaries
One Investigative Clerk	\$38,324.00

- b. Total number of man hours per week spent at plant?

213

- c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:

Not applicable

- d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:

Not applicable

17. Remarks (By SAC):

Recommend surveillance be continued for 90 days.

18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

(If this surveillance involves cryptanalysis, include statement that decrypted material is or is not sufficiently important to continue decrypting.)

By memorandum dated 10/27/65, we advised the Attorney General that this tesur would be continued for an additional six months.

Memorandum from F. J. Baumgardner to W. C. Sullivan dated 1/14/66 captioned "Cominfil of SCLC, IS-C" recommended and approval was granted for continuance of this tesur.

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from ELSUR coverage of Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

ADDENDUM:

Item 9

Action Taken:

In all of the following instances Letterhead Memorandums (and/or other expeditious communications) were submitted to the Bureau and to interested offices and leads were set out where necessary.

Date Furnished: 10/22/65

Nature of Information:

HARRY WACHTEL obtained information from Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) regarding his handling of the Gilligan case for KING.

Value:

CP connections of WACHTEL have been previously established.

Shows WACHTEL handling legal matter for KING re pending libel suit against him.

Date Furnished: 10/26/65

Nature of Information:

STANLEY LEVISON discussed with ANDREW J. YOUNG, Executive Director, SCLC, possible action to dramatize a need for Congress to enact an "administration of justice law."

Value:

Reflects interest by WACHTEL in attending White House conference regarding civil rights and his efforts to be included in the conference.

Date Furnished: 11/16/65

Nature of Information:

Reverend KING discussed with WALTER FAUNTROY the civil rights conference to be held at the White House 11/17, 18/65. Reverend KING said he was displeased because his key people in SCLC had not also been invited. He told FAUNTROY he felt RANDOLPH T. BLACKWELL, Program Director, SCLC, LAWRENCE D. REDDICK, SCLC Historian, and HARRY WACHTEL were among officers he thought should have been invited to this conference.

Value:

CP connections of BLACKWELL and REDDICK have previously been established.

Shows selection by KING of persons with CP background to attend White House civil rights conference.

Also shows reference by KING to WACHTEL as an officer of SCLC.

Date Furnished: 11/23/65

Nature of Information:

HOSEA WILLIAMS, Director of Voter Registration, SCLC, told ANDREW J. YOUNG "the female" who came to Atlanta during July, 1965 with STANLEY LEVISON was currently in Los Angeles, California doing a good job on behalf of SCLC.

Date Furnished: 11/5/65

Nature of Information:

Reverend KING discussed with STANLEY LEVISON details regarding a forthcoming meeting between KING, LEVISON and other individuals (not named) concerning SCLC fund raising matters. Reverend KING stressed this meeting must be held soon because SCLC had a "crisis" situation.

Value:

Reflects resort by KING to LEVISON with important SCLC financial problems.

Date Furnished: 11/9/65

Nature of Information:

Reverend KING discussed HARRY WACHTEL with WALTER FAUNTROY, SCLC Director, Washington, D. C. KING said WACHTEL was most anxious to serve as his chief advisor and is extremely helpful. He said WACHTEL does not charge for legal services performed for him or SCLC.

Value:

Furnishes evaluation by KING of relationship between him and WACHTEL.

Date Furnished: 11/15/65

Nature of Information:

HARRY WACHTEL told Reverend KING he was upset because he had not been invited to attend a conference on civil rights to be held 11/17, 18/65 at the White House. WACHTEL requested Reverend KING to advise him if he determined that WACHTEL could attend this conference.

Value:

CP connections of LEVISON have been previously established.

Indicates action on the part of SCLC in racial field proposed by LEVISON.

Date Furnished: 10/29/65

Nature of Information:

Reverend KING told JOHN BARBER, Executive Assistant to the President, SCLC, that HARRY WACHTEL and "others" were working on some reforms for him which he was anxious to have Congress enact. He said he would discuss these reforms with these people in the near future.

Value:

Reflects reliance by KING upon WACHTEL concerning Congressional action of interest to KING.

Date Furnished: 11/2/65

Nature of Information:

Reverend KING told ANDREW J. YOUNG that BAYARD RUSTIN had previously informed him he had to "stay in" with WALTER REUTHER and he felt he probably would have to do so.

Value:

CP connections of RUSTIN have previously been established.

Shows compliance by KING with a suggestion of RUSTIN.

Value:

Indicates continued assistance to SCLC by individual who was previously observed to be in association with LEVISON.

Date Furnished: 11/22/65

Nature of Information:

Reverend KING told DORA E. MC DONALD, Secretary to the President, SCLC, to ascertain from STANLEY LEVISON whether or not he should accept a proffered peace award from the Synagogue Council of America.

Value:

Establishes KING's reliance upon advice of LEVISON.

Date Furnished: 11/22/65

Nature of Information:

Reverend KING told DORA E. MC DONALD in his speech before the American Committee on Africa on 12/10/65 in New York City he wanted to make a very important statement (not explained) Reverend KING said BAYARD RUSTIN was preparing this speech for him.

Value:

Shows reliance by KING on RUSTIN to prepare an important address for him.

Date Furnished: 11/26/65

Nature of Information:

HARRY WACHTEL informed Reverend KING he had learned there had been some criticism regarding a conference on civil rights recently held at the White House. He said he understood some of this criticism was connected with the "Socialist approach" on the part of some people such as BAYARD RUSTIN. WACHTEL suggested that if Reverend KING felt he could not attend a forthcoming civil rights conference with the Attorney General he could appoint WACHTEL and WALTER FAUNTROY to represent him.

Value:

Shows offer by WACHTEL to assist in representing KING at conference with Attorney General.

Date Furnished: 11/26/65

Nature of Information:

HARRY WACHTEL discussed with Reverend KING the frequency of board meetings of the American Foundation for Non-Violence (AFN).

Value:

Reflects WACHTEL's influence in operation of AFN, an organization established for the benefit of SCLC.

Date Furnished: 12/1/65

Nature of Information:

HARRY WACHTEL advised EDWINA M. SMITH, Executive Secretary, SCLC, he would forward a check in the amount of \$15,000 to SCLC payable to "SCLC Voter Education Drive." WACHTEL said henceforth he planned to forward to SCLC \$15,000 each month by check.

Value:

Shows handling by WACHTEL of funds destined for SCLC.

Date Furnished: 12/3/65

Nature of Information:

HARRY WACHTEL furnished DORA E. MC DONALD a news release for Reverend KING in connection with the recent guilty verdicts concerning the murder of WILLIE BREWSTER in Anniston, Alabama and civil rights prosecution of individuals involved in the shooting of Mrs. VIOLA LIUZZO near Selma, Alabama. WACHTEL instructed MC DONALD to advise Reverend KING that in his contact with the news media he should avoid praising the jury system but should emphasize the value of "vigorous prosecution."

Value:

Shows WACHTEL's preparation of news release for KING and providing instructions regarding its use by KING.

Date Furnished: 12/7/65

Nature of Information:

Reverend KING instructed DORA E. MC DONALD to contact BAYARD RUSTIN and determine what progress he had made on a speech he was preparing for Reverend KING to be delivered 12/10/65 before the American Committee on Africa. Reverend KING said HARRY WACHTEL would review this speech.

Value:

Indicates KING's reliance on RUSTIN and WACHTEL to prepare public address for him.

Date Furnished: 12/9/65

Nature of Information:

STANLEY LEVISON told DORA E. MC DONALD he had Reverend KING's speech which Reverend KING would deliver 12/10/65 before the American Committee on Africa and said it would probably take him most of that night to work on it.

Value:

Indicates use by KING of LEVISON to perform final review of public address for him.

Date Furnished: 12/22/65

Nature of Information:

HARRY WACHTEL discussed with ROBERT GREEN, Director, Citizenship School, SCLC, a recent project devised by GREEN to overcome problems of training illiterate Negroes. WACHTEL said he had discussed this project with CHRISTOPHER F. EDLEY of the Ford Foundation and EDLEY wished to discuss the project with GREEN.

Value:

Reflects participation by WACHTEL in implimentation of an SCLC project concerning Negro education.

Date Furnished: 12/29/65

Nature of Information:

Reverend KING arranged a meeting with HARRY WACHTEL for 1/13 or 14/66, in Atlanta

Value:

Shows initiative taken by KING in setting up meeting in Atlanta with WACHTEL.

Date Furnished: . 1/3/66

Nature of Information:

HARRY WACHTEL discussed with ROBERT GREEN the latter's program for training illiterate Negroes. He urged GREEN to make effort to obtain Federal financial assistance for this project.

Value:

Shows effort by WACHTEL to influence SCLC in obtaining Federal money to operate an SCLC program.

Date Furnished: 1/12/66

Nature of Information:

Reverend KING told ANDREW J. YOUNG to contact RALPH HELSTEIN and explain why they had been unable to confer with him when recently in Chicago. KING told YOUNG not to forget this because HELSTEIN always raises money for SCLC.

Value:

CP connections of HELSTEIN have previously been established.

Shows KING courting good graces of HELSTEIN because of his assistance to SCLC.

Date Furnished: 1/12/66

Nature of Information:

Reverend KING discussed a forthcoming SCLC benefit program to be held in Chicago, Illinois with ANDREW J. YOUNG. He said HARRY BELAFONTE had agreed to participate in this program.

Value:

CP connections of HARRY BELAFONTE have previously been established.

Reflects KING's utilization of BELAFONTE's services in connection with SCLC fund raising activity.

Date Furnished: 1/12/66

Nature of Information:

Reverend KING advised his brother, A. D. KING, that HARRY WACHTEL was Executive Vice President of the American Foundation for Non-Violence which he explained is a tax exempt organization having as its purpose the support of SCLC.

Value:

Shows participation of WACHTEL in financial organization supporting SCLC.

Date Furnished: 1/14/66

Nature of Information:

CLARENCE JONES advised Reverend KING he would arrive in Atlanta that date to meet with him to which Reverend KING agreed; STANLEY LEVISON was at that time meeting with him in his office.

Value:

CP connections of CLARENCE JONES have previously been established.

Shows KING's willingness to meet with JONES and also established LEVISON's presence with KING.

Date Furnished: 1/15/66

Nature of Information:

Reverend KING told ANDREW J. YOUNG he had discussed SCLC financial matters with STANLEY LEVISON and CLARENCE JONES on the night of 1/14/66 until the early hours of 1/15/66.

Value:

Shows extent of conference had by KING with LEVISON and JONES regarding SCLC organizational matters.

Date Furnished: 1/17/66

Nature of Information:

HARRY WACHTEL told Reverend KING he had arranged a function in the New York City area to be held early in March, 1966 at which SCLC could expect to raise \$25,000. Reverend KING agreed to attend this function.

Value:

Reflects reliance by KING on WACHTEL to arrange fund raising function for benefit of SCLC.

FBI

Date: 3/31/66

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)
RE: CIRM

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Re Atlanta letters dated 2/18/66 and Bureau letters dated 2/25/66 and 2/28/66, which authorized survey regarding tesurs.

Upon receipt Bureau authority for such survey, sources available in the Atlanta Office reported investigators for the Long Committee were at that time making discreet inquiries in the Atlanta area. In view of the above information, survey was held in abeyance until a more propitious occasion might arise when certain necessary data might be requested from the sources in a position to furnish same. This information was requested from these sources on 3/31/66 and upon receipt of this pertinent data survey will be completed and furnished Bureau at first available opportunity at which time appropriate recommendation will be made.

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Special Agent in Charge

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- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
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ReATlet dated 2/18/66 requesting authority to conduct survey in regard to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference's current facilities in order to determine changes which have occurred and in what manner the productivity of Atlanta sources may be increased.

Bureau authority is granted to conduct requested survey, provided full security is assured. The result of this survey should be promptly furnished the Bureau along with any recommendations deemed appropriate.

NOTE:

Atlanta has been operating several highly confidential sources in connection with captioned matter at the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Atlanta, Georgia. Recent information strongly suggests that a number of changes of SCLC personnel and modification of that organization's facilities have tended to curtail information available to the aforementioned sources. Therefore, Atlanta has requested authority to conduct survey in an attempt to improve the productivity of these highly valued sources. In view of the importance of these sources in our investigation of communist influence in racial matters, requested survey is being authorized.

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- 1 - Baumgardner
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- 1 - Mr. Bates

CIRM REC-6

ReATlet 2/18/66 requesting authority to conduct survey for technical surveillance at residence of Martin Luther King, Jr., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 234 Sunset Avenue, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia.

Provided full security is assured, authority is granted to conduct requested survey. Promptly advise the Bureau of the result of this survey, together with your recommendation as to the feasibility of installation.

NOTE:

Relet pointed out that a review of information furnished by AT 1379-S* a discontinued technical surveillance on King's former residence, during the 90-day period prior to discontinuance revealed 13 contacts with King by individuals having Communist Party connections and 11 contacts by King of females relating to extramarital activity on his part. AT 1379-S* was discontinued 2/30/65 when King moved. Atlanta notes that information being received from other sources indicates that contacts are made with or initiated by King from his residence which are pertinent to our CIRM investigation or which have counterintelligence potential. Atlanta assures that requested survey will be conducted with full security. Authority granted in view of validity of observations made by Atlanta and the necessity to insure we are not leaving any loop holes in our investigation of communist attempts to influence racial activities.

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TO : Mr. Sullivan

DATE: 1/14/66

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Rozamus
- 1 - Mr. Bates

FROM : F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On 11/8/63, a technical surveillance was instituted on the headquarters of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 330 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, a civil rights organization headed by Martin Luther King, Jr. Its purpose was to determine communist influence on the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and King. It encompasses a switchboard of this organization covering seven lines, AT 1380-S* through AT 1386-S*. The monthly cost of this installation is approximately \$3,469.67, which includes rental of a private apartment for monitoring purposes and for the leased line which is utilized. Private monitoring site used for security reasons.

This installation consistently furnishes examples of communist influence or attempted communist influence on King and on the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, which is not available through any other source. This information is widely disseminated to other Government agencies and frequently to the White House. A few examples of information furnished to the White House are as follows:

January, 1966 King issued instructions for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference to involve itself "as much as we can become involved" in the issue concerning the Georgia House of Representatives' refusal to seat Representative-elect Julian Bond because of Bond's endorsement of statements against United States Vietnam policy.

During a conversation, King indicated he planned to see Vice President Humphrey concerning funds for domestic programs and desired to see the President at a propitious time concerning peace issues.

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Baumgardner to Sullivan
Re: COMINFIL OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
-- LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
100-438794

December, 1965 At the behest of a representative of the American Committee on Africa, an organization interested in African political affairs, King ordered a telegram be sent to the President over his signature advocating an embargo be placed on shipments of oil to Rhodesia.

August, 1965 During a conversation with one of his associates, King discussed some of his plans in connection with his scheduled conference on 8/31/65 with United States Ambassador to the United Nations Arthur J. Goldberg.

July, 1965 During another conversation, there were references to statements made by King in private concerning a conference he had with the President the preceding week.

OBSERVATIONS:

King is the foremost civil rights figure in the country and has an international following. A number of his key advisors as well as some officers in the Southern Christian Leadership Conference have been Communist Party members or affiliated with other subversive organizations. This surveillance indicates the extent of influence being exerted on King by these individuals. It reveals the part these individuals play in policy-making decisions with King; assistance which they render King in his writings and speeches; and the advice and counsel they give King in his declarations concerning United States foreign policy.

RECOMMENDATION:

In order that the Bureau may carry out its responsibilities on uncovering and disseminating all information indicating communist influence in racial matters, including the increasing tendency to merge peace issues with civil rights, it is mandatory that we maintain coverage of King. Thus, it is recommended this technical surveillance be retained.

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TO : Mr. Sullivan

DATE: 11/29/65

FROM : F. J. Baumgardner

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Bland
- 1 - Mr. Donohue
- 1 - Mr. Phillips

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST

Special Agent in Charge [Roney] New York Office, called this morning (11/29/65) and advised that Martin Luther King, Jr., and some of his associates have a reservation at the Americana Hotel in New York City, arrival about 2 p.m., today (11/29/65).. King will probably stay only one night as he is to be in Washington, D. C., 11/30/65. King and his party will have Rooms 3609 - 3611. The New York Office has available Room 3509 from which it advises it can maintain a microphone surveillance on King, with full security assured and without the use of any wiring.

We have had prior information that King will meet with some of his advisors with communist backgrounds, such as Stanley Levison and Harry Wachtel. These conferences with his advisors have shown the communist influence upon King relative to the racial situation as well as the Vietnam situation.

The New York Office requested authority to make the microphone surveillance installation immediately with full security assured and also requested authority for expenditure of up to \$35 per day for the monitoring room.

ACTION:

On New York's assurance that full security was available and since time was of the essence, New York was told to go ahead with the installation as planned and was also authorized the necessary expenditure for the monitoring room. Inasmuch as the installation will be made today (11/29/65) and deactivated immediately upon King's departure, probably 11/30/65, we will promptly submit a memorandum to the Attorney General advising when the installation was made and when it was taken off.

1 - M. F. Row - Room 6221 IB

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Special Agent in Charge

[Handwritten signatures and initials: "Sullivan", "Phillips", "Row", "DeLoach", "Mohr", "Tavel", "Trotter", "Tele. Room", "Holmes", "Gandy"]

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December 1, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Miss Holmes
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Bland
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Donohue
- 1 - Mr. Phillips

EX-103

This Bureau's investigation of the communist influence in racial matters has developed considerable information indicating the influence upon Martin Luther King, Jr., head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, by individuals with subversive backgrounds such as Stanley David Levison, Harry Wachtel, Bayard Rustin and others. From time to time, King meets with these individuals and coverage of these meetings by this Bureau results in the obtaining of evidence of the influences upon King as well as information concerning the tactics and plans of King and his organization in the civil rights movement. The coverage of these meetings also has developed information concerning King's involvement in the Vietnam situation. These meetings frequently take place in hotel rooms in New York City.

On November 29, 1965, information was obtained that King was to spend the night of November 29, 1965, at the Americana Hotel, 52nd Street and 7th Avenue, New York City. We also had information that King planned to meet with his advisors while in New York City, November 29-30, 1965. Because of the importance of the meeting and the urgency of the situation, a microphone surveillance was effected November 29, 1965, on King in Rooms 3609-3611, Americana Hotel, New York City. This surveillance involved trespass and was discontinued on November 30, 1965.

Respectfully,

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BY *dm*

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

NOTE:

This memorandum is classified "Secret" since it concerns a microphone surveillance, unauthorized disclosure of which could result in serious damage to the Bureau's security coverage to the detriment of national security.

Memorandum from F. J. Baumgardner to Mr. Sullivan 11/29/65 reported the telephonic request of the New York Office 11/29/65 for authority to make installation of the microphone surveillance. In view of the urgency of the situation and on New York's assurance of full security, they were instructed to make the installation. On the afternoon of 11/30/65, the New York Office telephonically advised that this surveillance, *ELSYR* **NY 5328-3*** was installed in Rooms 3609-3611, 3:45 p.m., 11/29/65 and discontinued 1:30 p.m., 11/30/65. Monitoring was from Room 3509.

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Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (Bufile 100-442529) DATE: 10/21/65

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)

SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title Communist Influence in
Racial Matters
Character of Case Internal Security - C
Field Office, ~~Internal~~ Atlanta
Symbol Number ~~AT 1380-S* through AT 1386-S*~~ **CONF. INTL.**
Type of Surveillance: (Technical or Microphone) **Technical**

1. Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

2. Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:

Installation made at 328 Auburn Avenue, N. E.

3. Location of monitoring plant:

300 West Peachtree Street, N. E.
Apartment 20K

4. Dates of initial authorization and installation:

10/15/63 7/8/64
11/8/63 7/10/64

5. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):

None

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6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:

- a. Is a trunk line utilized? Yes
- b. Is the surveillance on a switchboard? Yes
- c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone? No

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d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line? Private

e. If a party line, how many parties? -

7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each: -

8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination:

No

9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)

See Addendum

10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?

No

11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject: One, however circumstances do not permit coverage of identical nature.

12. Has security factor changed since installation?

No

13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):

None

14. Cost of Plant Premises:

a. Rental costs for plant premises: \$250.00 per month

b. Give total number of other surveillances monitored at same plant.
None

- c. If any others, set out the proportionate cost of instant surveillance:

Not applicable

15. Cost of Leased Line for instant installation?

\$26.00 per month

16. Personnel Costs:

- a. Give total number of special employees and/or Special Agents working at plant and total salary costs.

Three Agents	Total Annual Salaries
One Investigative Clerk	\$38,324.00

- b. Total number of man hours per week spent at plant?

213

- c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:

Not applicable

- d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:

Not applicable

17. Remarks (By SAC):

Recommend surveillance be continued for 90 days.

18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

(If this surveillance involves cryptanalysis, include statement that decrypted material is or is not sufficiently important to continue decrypting.)

*See memo to
A.G. B. 10/27/65*

NINE pages deleted containing totally information obtained from
ELSUR coverage of Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

ADDENDUM:

Item 9

Action Taken:

In all of the following instances Letterhead Memorandums (and/or other expeditious communications) were submitted to the Bureau and to interested offices and leads were set out where necessary.

Date Furnished: 7/22/65

Nature of Information:

CORDY T. VIVIAN (Director of Affiliates, SCLC) issued instructions to a Reverend M. A. HODGE regarding racial activity in Huntsville, Texas.

Value:

Shows influence on racial situation by VIVIAN whose past CP connections have been established.

Date Furnished: 7/28/65

Nature of Information:

RANDOLPH T. BLACKWELL (Program Director, SCLC) discussed with Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. (President, SCLC) some arrangements which had been made pertaining to organization of forthcoming annual SCLC convention.

Value:

BLACKWELL, previously identified as having CP connections, shows participation in planning of SCLC convention by individual having CP background.

Date Furnished: 7/30/65

Nature of Information:

HARRY WACHTEL contacted DORA E. MC DONALD (Secretary to President, SCLC) and referred to prior discussion with Reverend KING re statement to be issued by KING concerning pending Voting Rights Bill. WACHTEL instructed MC DONALD to prepare a precise statement for KING regarding this matter.

Value:

CP background of WACHTEL previously established. Shows influence of WACHTEL on KING re proposed statement regarding an item of pending Federal legislation.

Date Furnished: 8/2/65

Nature of Information:

EDWINA SMITH (Executive Secretary, SCLC) told CAROL HOOVER (Director of Special Affairs, SCLC) that STANLEY LEVISON and CLARENCE JONES planned to attend the 9th Annual SCLC Convention in Birmingham, Alabama, 8/9-13/65.

Value:

CP connections of LEVISON and JONES previously determined. Shows intention of two individuals with CP background to attend SCLC convention.

Date Furnished: 8/6/65

Nature of Information:

RANDOLPH T. BLACKWELL advised Reverend KING it had been arranged that the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham would be used as headquarters by SCLC during its 9th Annual Convention. BLACKWELL said that for "security reasons" there would be no signs, etc. indicating this church was being so used.

Value:

Indicates participation by individual with CP background in planning SCLC convention.

Date Furnished: 8/20/65

Nature of Information:

ADELE KANTER (in charge SCLC Office, New York) told JFK Act 6 (4) SCLC Accountant, that STANLEY LEVISON is "behind everything I do. I couldn't do a thing without him."

Value:

Shows evaluation of LEVISON's influence on New York SCLC Office by manager thereof.

Date Furnished: 8/20/65

Nature of Information:

ANDREW J. YOUNG, (Executive Assistant to the President, SCLC) instructed EDWINA SMITH to forward \$200 of SCLC funds to BAYARD RUSTIN in view of RUSTIN having spent the preceding week with Reverend KING in Los Angeles, California.

Value:

CP connections of RUSTIN have been previously ascertained. Shows recognition of RUSTIN's services and payment of money to him by SCLC.

Date Furnished: 8/24/65

Nature of Information:

ANDREW J. YOUNG requested STANLEY LEVISON to attend three day SCLC staff meeting in Atlanta commencing 8/26/65.

Value:

Shows solicitation by SCLC of LEVISON's presence at staff meeting. Also permitted Special Agents to observe YOUNG accompany LEVISON on 8/26/65 from Atlanta Airport to motel where staff meeting was held.

Date Furnished: 8/25/65

Nature of Information:

HARRY WACHTEL arranged for himself and RUSTIN to accompany Reverend KING when he met in the near future with United Nations representative GOLDBERG regarding Viet Nam. WACHTEL referred to himself and RUSTIN as aides of KING.

Value:

Shows interest of WACHTEL and RUSTIN in assisting KING re a controversial matter and indicated they considered themselves aides of KING which, in turn, was recognized by SCLC.

Date Furnished: 8/25/65

Nature of Information:

STANLEY LEVISON reviewed and corrected an article by Reverend KING regarding recent racial situation in Los Angeles. This article was ostensibly prepared by KING for "The New York Times."

Value:

Shows reliance by KING upon LEVISON to edit article being submitted by him to the news media.

Date Furnished: 9/2/65

Nature of Information:

DORA MC DONALD advised CLARENCE JONES that Reverend KING desired he and LEVISON prepare a speech for him regarding the "Dignity of Family Life" to be delivered by KING in the near future.

Value:

Reflects solicitation of the services of LEVISON and JONES by KING.

Date Furnished: 9/9/65

Nature of Information:

EDWINA SMITH told JESSIE HILL, JR. (SCLC Board member) that during the 9th Annual SCLC Convention held 8/9-13/65 in Birmingham, BAYARD RUSTIN performed considerable work regarding resolutions considered by the convention.

Value:

Indicates part played by RUSTIN at recent SCLC convention.

Date Furnished: 9/10/65

Nature of Information:

BAYARD RUSTIN discussed with Reverend KING the latter's plans to write letters previously announced by KING concerning Viet Nam.

Value:

Reflects interest by RUSTIN in KING's proposed announcements re Viet Nam and U. S. policy matters related thereto.

Date Furnished: 9/16/65

Nature of Information:

KING invited to attend meeting with Chairman, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Washington, D. C. KING instructed RUSTIN to represent him and SCLC at this meeting and so advised the aforementioned commission.

Value:

Shows KING's selection to utilize RUSTIN to represent him and SCLC at a function of a U. S. Government agency.

Date Furnished: 9/16/65

Nature of Information:

WILLIAM STEIN, new employee of SCLC, advised Reverend KING that STANLEY LEVISON would accompany him to Atlanta on 9/17/65 to meet with KING.

Value:

Permitted Agents on 9/17/65 to observe LEVISON arrive in Atlanta, proceed to and enter SCLC headquarters.

Date Furnished: 9/28/65

Nature of Information:

Reverend KING conferred with STANLEY LEVISON, BAYARD RUSTIN, HARRY WACHTEL and two SCLC staff members as to how he might best extricate himself from the controversial position he was in because of his previous statements regarding Viet Nam. KING acted upon the advice of LEVISON and RUSTIN.

Value:

Indicates KING's solicitation of and reliance upon advice of LEVISON and RUSTIN.

Date Furnished: 9/30/65.

Nature of Information:

BAYARD RUSTIN expressed interest in having Reverend KING attend a function in New York City from which he said KING might realize \$1500 for his own use.

Value:

Indicates RUSTIN's interest in KING's financial gain.

Date Furnished: 9/30/65

Nature of Information:

STANLEY LEVISON instructed SCLC as to what salary SCLC should pay WILLIAM STEIN, recently hired by SCLC, for fund raising activity.

Value:

Reflects influence of LEVISON upon SCLC as to the salary to be paid a new employee of SCLC.

Date Furnished: 10/1/65

Nature of Information:

RALPH D. ABERNATHY (Treasurer, SCLC) discussed with Reverend KING how SCLC might cover the prior gift to ABERNATHY of a station wagon. KING stated such knowledge by contributors to SCLC would have a detrimental effect. Therefore, KING said he would request LEVISON or RUSTIN to contact "some friends" for money to cover this matter.

Value:

Shows KING's reliance upon LEVISON and RUSTIN to solve a potentially embarrassing financial problem for SCLC.

Date Furnished: 10/6/65.

Nature of Information:

HARRY WACHTEL reminded KING of a Research Committee meeting to be held in WACHTEL's New York City Office 10/15/65 and that he wanted to consult with KING regarding a "personal matter" prior to this meeting.

Value:

Indicates influence on KING by WACHTEL and also permitted New York Agents to observe KING's presence at WACHTEL's office on 10/15/65 which premises were also entered by JONES, LEVISON and RUSTIN.

Date Furnished: 10/8/65

Nature of Information:

RICHARD BOONE of the Citizens Crusade Against Poverty requested RANDOLPH T. BLACKWELL to serve on the Activity and Organization Committee of this crusade. BLACKWELL consented.

Value:

Reflects BLACKWELL's acceptance to serve another civil rights organization.

Date Furnished: 10/15/65

Nature of Information:

NORMAN HILL, Director of Racial Matters, American Federation of Labor - Congress of Industrial Organizations, AFL-CIO, influenced Reverend KING to serve as chairman of Education and Public Information Commission of the Citizens Crusade Against Poverty and influenced BAYARD RUSTIN to serve as Vice Chairman. KING and RUSTIN have understanding that KING would preside at first meeting and RUSTIN thereafter.

Value:

Indicates KING's serving in leadership capacity of a civil rights type organization with RUSTIN.

Date Furnished: 10/18/65

Nature of Information:

Reverend KING instructed DORA MC DONALD to advise HARRY WACHTEL of a forthcoming meeting of the Ghandi Society. He said this would be the first meeting of the new organization "American Institute on Non-Violence."

Value:

Indicates the Ghandi Society has been reconstructed and that WACHTEL will participate in the new organization.

Date 10/19/65

To: _____

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Att.: INSPECTOR J. A. SIZOO, Room 807, RB

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TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 10/14/65

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
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- 1 - Mr. Donohue
- 1 - Mr. Phillips

FROM : W. C. Sullivan

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST

J U N E

The New York Office called me this afternoon (10/14/65) and advised that Martin Luther King, Jr., has a reservation for tonight at the Astor Hotel in New York City. He is to be in Room 445. The New York Office has available Room 435 from which it advises it can maintain, with full security assured, a microphone surveillance on King.

King has recently been conferring with his advisors with communist backgrounds, such as Stanley David Levison and Harry Wachtel, on his visits to New York City. We have specific information that he plans to see Wachtel on this visit. His conferences with these advisors have shown the communist influence upon King relative to racial matters as well as the Vietnam situation.

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ACTION:

On New York's assurance that full security was available and since time was of essence, I told New York to go ahead with the installation as planned. I also authorized the necessary expenditure for the room for monitoring purposes. Memo to A.G. being prepared.

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ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

SAC, Atlanta (100-6488-D)

8/13/65

1 cc Mr: Donohue
Mr: Phillips.

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Director, FBI (100-439190) - 473

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COMINFIL OF STUDENT NON-VIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE (SNCC)
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Reurairtel 8/5/65 which advised of the discontinuance of technical surveillances (tesurs) designated AT 1388-S* and AT 1389-S* which were on the headquarters of captioned organization. This was as result of Bureau instructions.

Reurlet 8/10/65, instant caption as well as concerning CIRM, which proposed the reinstallation of AT 1388-S* and AT 1389-S*. In order to accommodate the reactivation of these two sources, your office proposed the discontinuance of AT 1383-S* and AT 1384-S*. The latter two tesurs are part of a series of several covering the headquarters of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).

For your information, it was necessary to instruct that you discontinue coverage at SNCC because of the over-all needs of the Bureau. For purposes of Bureau tally-keeping the two sources at SNCC were considered as a single tesur and the several sources at the SCLC are considered as a single tesur. Therefore, your proposal, if adopted, would not decrease the number of tesurs which was necessary.

In view of the foregoing, your request for reactivation of coverage at SNCC is denied. The Bureau will continually keep your needs in mind and if it is possible to reactivate SNCC coverage, further correspondence will be had with your office.

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AT 100-6488-D
100-6670-E

These recommendations are made in full consideration of the volume of traffic and the value thereof. In the event Bureau authorizes this action, new symbol numbers will be assigned sources previously designated as ~~AT 1388-S* and AT 1389-S*~~, and the Bureau will be advised promptly upon effecting such change in coverage.

FBI

Date: 8/5/65

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

JUNE

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-439190)
FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6488-D)
SUBJECT : COMINFIL OF SNCC
IS - C

Re Atlanta airtel dated 7/9/65,
captioned as above, and phone call 8/5/65 from
Inspector FRED BAUGARDNER.

This is to advise that, as of
4:10 p.m., 8/5/65 TESURE designated as AT 1388-S*
and AT 1389-S* have been discontinued.

*R/S sent SAC Atlanta.
Re: If can just replc for Martin
inasmuch as tech surveil
have ceased
RM/mgp/nem 8/12/65*

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

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J U N E

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 7/22/65

FROM : *JKP*
SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)

SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title Communist Influence in Racial Matters
Character of Case Internal Security - C
Field Office Atlanta
Symbol Number AT 1380-S* through AT 1386-S*
Type of Surveillance: (Technical or Microphone) Technical *ELSR 5*

1. Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

2. Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:

Installation made at 328 Auburn Avenue, N..E.,

3. Location of monitoring plant:

300 West Peachtree Street, N.E.
Apartment 20K

4. Dates of initial authorization and installation:

10/15/63 7/8/64
11/8/63 7/10/64

5. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):
None

6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:

- a. Is a trunk line utilized? Yes
- b. Is the surveillance on a switchboard? Yes
- c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone? No

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DONOHUE

- 1- Bureau (RM)
- 1- Atlanta

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- d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line? Private
- e. If a party line, how many parties? -
7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each: -
8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination:
- No
9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)
See Addendum
10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?
- No
11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject:
- None
12. Has security factor changed since installation?
- No
13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):
- None
14. Cost of Plant Premises:
- a. Rental costs for plant premises: \$250.00 per month
- b. Give total number of other surveillances monitored at same plant.
One

c. If any others, set out the proportionate cost of instant surveillance:

\$125.00 per month

15. Cost of Leased Line for instant installation?

\$26.00 per month

16. Personnel Costs:

a. Give total number of special employees and/or Special Agents working at plant and total salary costs.

Three Agents	Total Annual Salaries
One Investigative Clerk	\$38,324.00

b. Total number of man hours per week spent at plant?

213

c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:

149

d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:

\$26,826.80

17. Remarks (By SAC):

Recommend surveillance be continued for 90 days.

18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

EL SUR

AT 1380-S* through AT 1386-S* (inclusive) are symbols assigned to a technical surveillance (tesur) of the SCLC Headquarters, 328 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia. Last authorized 7/8/64; installed 7/10/64.

This tesur is our most prolific source of information relating to communist influences in the racial movement through the SCLC. It is of inestimable value. The following are some examples of intelligence obtained during the past 90 days.

On 4/23 and 5/7/65, information obtained concerning planned demonstrations by the SCLC and of individuals with communist backgrounds involved. On 5/7, 19 and 7/12/65, information obtained concerning the counsel and help being given to the SCLC by Stanley Levison, the long-time communist. This information assisted in physical-surveillance coverage establishing Levison's presence in Atlanta for conferences with the SCLC staff including its head, Martin Luther King, Jr. On 5/20/65, information obtained concerning a continued association with the SCLC by Hunter Pitts O'Dell, another long-time communist. On 6/10, 17 and 25/65, information received concerning the association with the SCLC by Bayard Rustin, another advisor to King with a communist background. On 6/7/65, information obtained concerning King's entry into the public arena concerning U.S. foreign policy. On 7/16/65, source advised of unidentified individual who had donated \$25,000 to the SCLC.

In view of the continued voluminous high quality information emanating from this tesur, its continuation for an additional 90 days is recommended. It is noted that on 5/5/65 we furnished the Attorney General a memorandum advising that this tesur would be continued for an additional 6 months unless he instructed to the contrary, which he has not done.

Seven pages deleted containing totally information obtained
from ELSUR coverage of Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

ADDENDUM:

Item 9

Action Taken:

In all of the following instances Letterhead Memorandums (and/or other expeditious communications) were submitted to the Bureau and to interested offices and leads were set out where necessary.

Date Furnished: 4/23/65

Nature of Information:

James
JAMES BEVEL (Director of Direct Action, SCLC) said he had discussed with CLARENCE JONES the desirability of SCLC demonstrations in Alabama.

Value:

CLARENCE JONES previously identified as having Communist Party background. Shows contact by SCLC official with person of Communist background re planned SCLC racial activity.

Date Furnished: 5/7/65

Nature of Information:

James
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. (President of SCLC) told HARRY WACHTEL he would appear 5/12/65 at a "freedom rally" arranged by WACHTEL at which SCLC hoped to raise a substantial amount of money.

Value:

Shows WACHTEL's assistance to SCLC.

Date Furnished: 5/7/65

Nature of Information:

SCLC ADELE KANTER, SCLC Office, New York, told ANDREW J. YOUNG (Executive Assistant to the President of SCLC) that CLARENCE JONES and STANLEY LEVISON had instructed her not to mail certain SCLC material regarding the Alabama boycott.

Value:

LEVISON previously identified as having Communist Party background. Shows influence of JONES and LEVISON's instructions on SCLC activities.

Date Furnished: 5/19/65

Nature of Information:

SCLC CLARENCE JONES said he and STANLEY LEVISON had some notes for KING's speech before the American Jewish Committee on 5/20/65.

Value:

Shows influence of persons with Communist background on public address by KING.

Date Furnished: 5/20/65

Nature of Information:

HP YOUNG stated he wanted HUNTER PITTS O'DELL to arrange for a visiting couple from Sweden to spend a week in Harlem.

Value:

O'DELL previously identified as having been connected with Communist Party National Committee. Shows reliance on O'DELL by high ranking SCLC officers.

Date Furnished: 6/1/65

Nature of Information:

C. T. VIVIAN (Director of Affiliates, SCLC) stated he would definitely be connected with Project Vision which would be active in approximately 10 communities in Alabama during Summer, 1965. Also said the Highlander Folk School had offered to assist Project Vision.

Value:

VIVIAN previously identified as having Communist background; Highlander Folk School previously identified as pro-Communist. Shows participation of individual with Communist background in Project Vision and offer of assistance from a pro-Communist organization.

Date Furnished: 6/7/65

Nature of Information:

Ford
Chick
CORETTA KING, wife of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., said she would speak in place of KING at Madison Square Garden 6/8/65. She said she would speak on Viet Nam and that her speech had been prepared by BAYARD RUSTIN.

Value:

BAYARD RUSTIN previously identified as having Communist background. Shows assistance given by RUSTIN to active member of civil rights movement speaking on U. S. foreign relations.

Date Furnished: 6/10/65

Nature of Information:

6/10
JUNIUS GRIFFIN (Publicity Employee, SCLC) stated BAYARD RUSTIN would participate to substantial extent in week-long orientation in Atlanta by SCOPE.

Value:

Shows participation of RUSTIN in training program of a currently active civil rights organization.

Date Furnished: 6/14/65

Nature of Information:

DONALD SLAIMON would attend SCOPE orientation in Atlanta.

Value:

SLAIMON previously admitted membership in Workers Party and Independent Socialist League. Shows participation in SCOPE training program by former admitted WP and ISL member.

Date Furnished: 6/17/65

Nature of Information:

ANDREW YOUNG discussed SCLC meeting held previous evening in which BAYARD RUSTIN participated.

Value:

Shows meeting between ranking SCLC official and RUSTIN.

Date Furnished: 6/25/65

Nature of Information:

KING instructed YOUNG to have BAYARD RUSTIN set up a civil rights "tour" of two - three days in New York City for SCLC.

Value:

Shows KING's reliance on person with Communist Party background to organize a program for SCLC.

Date Furnished: 7/6/65

Nature of Information:

DORA McDONALD, KING's secretary, stated CLARENCE JONES was KING's agent and lawyer.

Value:

Shows utilization of CLARENCE JONES in an advisory capacity by KING.

Date Furnished: 7/7/65

Nature of Information:

KING solicited and accepted advice of HARRY WACHTEL as to what position SCLC should take in event of press inquiry regarding recent arrest in Alabama of Reverend REESE on charges of embezzling civil rights funds. KING subsequently approved press release embodying WACHTEL's suggestions.

Value:

Shows KING's solicitation of, and action taken on, advice of WACHTEL.

Date Furnished: 7/8/65

Nature of Information:

CARL BRADEN advised he was forwarding to SCLC Headquarters some "material". He said CORDY T. VIVIAN was previously cognizant of this material.

Value:

CARL BRADEN previously identified as Communist Party member. Shows a relationship between SCLC Officer and BRADEN.

Date Furnished: 7/12/65

Nature of Information:

CORETTA KING stated that STANLEY LEVISON would be a dinner guest of KING in the latter's home on 7/12/65.

Value:

Shows private association by KING with LEVISON.

Date Furnished: 7/12/65

Nature of Information:

Mrs. WALLACE ALBERTSON, while in contact with a SCOPE employee, stated her plans were dependent upon STANLEY LEVISON.

Value:

Shows relationship (being investigated) between ALBERTSON and LEVISON.

Date Furnished: 7/12/65

Nature of Information:

LILLIAN HUNTER (Secretary to the Treasurer of SCLC) stated SCLC staff meeting scheduled for 7/12/65 would be held at Hawk's Restaurant.

Value:

Permitted Agents to observe STANLEY LEVISON accompanied by several SCLC officials enter building next to restaurant and to observe several minutes thereafter KING enter the same building.

Date Furnished: 7/14/65

Nature of Information:

DORA McDONALD sought HARRY WACHTEL's advice as to what KING should inform news media re recent libel suit against KING. Subsequently KING instructed McDONALD to issue press release suggested by WACHTEL.

Value:

Shows influence of WACHTEL over KING in making statement to news media.

Date Furnished: 7/16/65

Nature of Information:

DORA McDONALD stated SCLC received check from woman in New York for \$25,000. KING said STANLEY LEVISON had suggested that he telephone this woman.

Value:

Shows knowledge of, and interest in, on part
of LEVISON re donor of substantial amount of money to
SCLC.

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Date: 7/16/65

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(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E) (JUNE)
RE: CIRM

B. P. [unclear]

ELSR

On 7/16/65, AT 1380-S* advised that MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. (President of Southern Christian Leadership Conference, SCLC) contacted ANDREW J. YOUNG (Executive Assistant to the President of SCLC) from New York City.

YOUNG told KING that he had spoken to an "electronics man" and this man is looking into the possibility of installing some type of "scrambling device" which can be utilized by SCLC in connection with its telephones in order to scramble conversation. YOUNG indicated to KING such equipment would be desirable because he felt it possible SCLC's telephones could be "tapped".

Atlanta will be most alert to any additional information pertaining to the above matter.

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1- Atlanta (100-6670-E)
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C.C. Wick

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Approved: [Signature] Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

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Date: 6/4/65

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E) (JUNE)
RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
RM

On 6/3/65, AT 1385-S* advised that MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. was in contact with an unknown female believed by source to be in Los Angeles. KING initiated contact with this female and source learned that the female desired to meet with KING and told him she had made hotel reservations for 7/17/65. KING told the woman he could not see her on that date but he will attend the Western Christian Leadership Conference (believed to be a forthcoming function in Los Angeles) on 7/9,10,11/65. KING suggested to this woman that she meet him there. The woman told KING she will try and obtain reservations for 7/10/65.

The foregoing is submitted for the information of the Bureau and Los Angeles in the event that subsequent information permits Los Angeles to pursue investigation of a counter-intelligence nature re captioned subject.

If the information from AT 1385-S* is utilized for lead purposes, care should be taken not to jeopardize the source.

If the information from this source is disseminated, it should be classified SECRET. This source has furnished highly sensitive information with respect to the Racial Situation in the Atlanta area and it is felt this classification is necessary in order to not jeopardize the valuable position of the informant in furnishing information of this nature.

- 3- Bureau (RM)
 - 2- Los Angeles (RM)
 - 1- Atlanta (100-6670-E)
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W/3. This memo disseminated with Mission Overseas and LA. He was instructed to inform his contacts with the Mission concerning M.L.K. in LA, with industry security.

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FBI

Date: 5/19/65

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)

JUNE

RE: CIRM

Re Bureau airtel 4/19/65, which authorized survey relative to Tesur on new residence of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. This survey was conducted with full security and results of same were furnished telephonically on 5/6/65 to Assistant Director WILLIAM C. SULLIVAN. On the same date, Mr. SULLIVAN telephonically advised that the installation of this Tesur was not authorized at this time.

Survey reflects that telephone service is afforded to the KING residence on two telephone lines. During survey it was ascertained that facilities are limited in this area; however, at that time there were two available spare pairs which would be necessary in order to effect a Tesur. As a result of these limited facilities, orders were given to reserve these two pairs of wires so that if in the future Bureau desires installation it can be effected.

Subject KING during the week of 4/12/65 moved his residence from 563 Johnson Avenue to 234 Sunset Avenue and orders were issued for discontinuance of this leased line. AT 1379-S* is shown to be discontinued after April 30, 1965.

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1- Atlanta
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cc - Wick

Approved: AKF
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

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ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

5/17/65

airtel

1 - Mr. Donohue
1 - Mr. Phillips

To: SAC, Atlanta (100-6670-E)

JUNE

From: Director, FBI (100-442529)

CIRM

ReBuairtel 4/19/65 authorizing survey relative to possible technical surveillance on new residence of Martin Luther King, Jr., and Bulet (O-1) 5/5/65 requesting advice as to status.

By return airtel, without fail, advise as to status of survey and as to status of AT 1379-S* which covers residence from which King was to move.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: May 13, 1965

FROM : Mr. J. A. Sizoo

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Phillips
- 1 - Mr. Row

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING
 SECURITY MATTER - C
 CIRM COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN RACIAL MATTERS

JUNE

wcy
W.C. Sullivan

SAC [Roney] of New York called yesterday and advised that Martin Luther King was due to arrive in New York that evening and had reservations at the Sheraton Atlantic Hotel, 34th and Broadway, New York City. He has been assigned Suite 1690 and New York advised that Suite 1690 is available for the use of the New York Office for monitoring purposes. If the Bureau will approve a microphone installation, New York desires to install a Wasp unit which is a radio transmitter requiring no wires to run from the room and which can then be monitored in Suite 1690.

In the past King has had conferences with [Stanley Levison, Harry Wachtel] and other advisors while he was in New York and New York advised that a conference with King, [Levison and Clarence Jones] is scheduled for late afternoon, probably in this hotel room. New York desired to make this microphone installation immediately. [Roney] requested authority so they could proceed with the necessary arrangements.

ACTION:

On New York's assurance that full security was available, and since time was of the essence, I told New York to go ahead with the installation as planned. In accordance to New York's request, New York was also authorized to pay up to \$40 a day for Suite 1690 if necessary for monitoring purposes.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

JUNE

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (Bufile 100-442529) DATE: 4/23/65

FROM : *JFK*
WIT
SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)

SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title Communist Influence in Racial Matters

Character of Case Internal Security - C
Field Office Atlanta
Symbol Number AT 1380-S* through AT 1386-S*
Type of Surveillance: (Technical or Microphone) Technical

*Reviewed & Justified
7/2/65
B*

L

1. Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

2. Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:

Installation made at 328 Auburn Avenue, N.E., to cover 330 Auburn Avenue, N.E.

3. Location of monitoring plant:

300 West Peachtree Street, N.E.
Apartment 20K

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100-442529-1052

4. Dates of initial authorization and installation:

10/15/63 7/8/64
11/8/63 7/10/64

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5. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):

None

DONOHUE

6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:

a. Is a trunk line utilized? Yes

b. Is the surveillance on a switchboard? Yes

c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone? No

INT. SEC.

SPEC. MAIL RM.

1- Bureau (RM)

1- Atlanta

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d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line?

Private

e. If a party line, how many parties? -

7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each: -

8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination:

No

9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)

See Addendum

10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?

No

11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject:

None

12. Has security factor changed since installation?

No

13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):

None

14. Cost of Plant Premises:

a. Rental costs for plant premises: \$250.00 per month

b. Give total number of other surveillances monitored at same plant.

None

- c. If any others, set out the proportionate cost of instant surveillance:

Not applicable

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Three Agents	Total Annual salaries
One Investigative Clerk	\$38,324

- b. Total number of man hours per week spent at plant?

213

- c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:

Not applicable

- d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:

Not applicable

17. Remarks (By SAC):

Recommend surveillance be continued for 90 days.

18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

(If this surveillance involves cryptanalysis, include statement that decrypted material is or is not sufficiently important to continue decrypting.)

See letter to AG, 5/5/65.
TRR: gem, gas, same caption.

Seven pages deleted containing totally information obtained from
ELSUR coverage of Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

ADDENDUM:

Item 9

Action Taken:

In all of the following instances Letterhead Memorandums were submitted to the Bureau and to interested offices and leads set out where necessary.

1. Date Information Furnished: 2/2/65

2. Nature of information:

ED CLAYTON (Public Relations Director for SCLC) in discussing a radio program called "Martin Luther King, Jr. Radio Program" subsidized by a New Jersey firm, stated that he and CORDY T. VIVIAN were writing the material for this program.

3. Value:

Shows influence of CORDY T. VIVIAN on public statements and activities of SCLC and KING. VIVIAN has been identified as a former Communist Party member.

1. Date Information Furnished: 2/3/65

2. Nature of information:

VIVIAN contacted RANDOLPH T. BLACKWELL and was advised by BLACKWELL that KING wanted VIVIAN in Selma, Alabama. VIVIAN stated that they should get the Washington and New York people started on their Selma, Alabama, situation. He suggested they call BAYARD RUSTIN, CLARENCE JONES and others for "direct action" in New York.

3. Value:

Shows influence of VIVIAN, BAYARD RUSTIN and CLARENCE JONES in civil rights activities. BAYARD RUSTIN and CLARENCE JONES have been identified as individuals with Communist backgrounds.

1. Date Information Furnished: 1/16/65

2. Nature of information:

HARRY WACHTEL told KING he would be at a "research committee" meeting in New York on 2/1/65 if he could arrange it.

3. Value:

WACHTEL identified as having Communist background. This information shows WACHTEL's participation in an advisory capacity to KING since the Research Committee has been identified as advisors to KING.

1. Date Information Furnished: 2/17/65

2. Nature of Information:

ANDREW YOUNG (Executive Director of SCLC) stated that a Research Committee meeting of SCLC would be held in New York City on 2/19/65. YOUNG stated the 12 members of the Research Committee would be present and instructed RANDOLPH T. BLACKWELL to attend this meeting. He told BLACKWELL to bring certain material that was in his possession and stated that the "Mississippi boycott" would be discussed thoroughly at this meeting.

3. Value:

Shows influence of persons of Communist background on planned boycott of Mississippi.

1. Date Information Furnished: 2/25/65

2. Nature of Information:

ANDREW YOUNG and KING discussed preparation of a fund raising appeal letter to be sent out by SCLC. KING instructed YOUNG to contact HUNTER PITTS O'DELL and have him work on this letter.

3. Value:

Shows influence of O'DELL in the civil rights movement. O'DELL was identified as a member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, USA.

1. Date Information Furnished: 3/3/65

2. Nature of information:

ANDREW YOUNG stated that an SCLC Research Committee meeting was scheduled for 3/5/65 at the office of HARRY WACHTEL. YOUNG wanted RANDOLPH T. BLACKWELL to attend this meeting where it will be decided what to do about Mississippi.

3. Value:

Shows influence of individuals with Communist background in civil rights movement.

1. Date Information Furnished: 3/4/65

2. Nature of Information:

CORDY T. VIVIAN instructed that a letter be prepared and sent to all the SCLC affiliates in Alabama advising of a grand march to be made on the capitol of Montgomery, Alabama.

3. Value:

Shows that VIVIAN was actively involved in the Selma to Montgomery march.

1. Date Information Furnished: 3/13/65

2. Nature of information:

C. T. VIVIAN advised that over 135 ministers in Selma, Alabama, had decided to go through local police lines and march to the Dallas County Courthouse for a memorial service in behalf of Reverend JAMES REEB of Boston, Massachusetts.

3. Value:

Gave advanced notice of plans of civil rights demonstrators, which were forwarded on to local authorities.

1. Date Information Furnished: 3/19/65

2. Nature of information:

RANDOLPH T. BLACKWELL contacted CLARENCE JONES and was advised by JONES that he was representing HARRY BELAFONTE. As such, he was concerned with the physical facilities provided for the show to be put on by various movie stars 3/24/65 at Saint Jude's Church, Montgomery, Alabama, at the conclusion of the march from Selma to Montgomery.

3. Value:

Shows person of Communist background involved in planning of Selma to Montgomery march activities.

1. Date Information Furnished: 3/27/65

2. Nature of Information

HARRY WACHTEL, BAYARD RUSTIN and MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., discussed plans and activities of SCLC as they pertain to obtaining labor union support from such unions as the Teamsters Union.

3. Value:

Reflects associations of unions, SCLC and persons of Communist background involved together in civil rights matters.

1. Date Information Furnished: 3/27/65

2. Nature of Information:

KING stated he was going to be on "Meet the Press" television program on 3/28/65 and wanted to discuss what his answers should be to probable questions. KING felt he needed BAYARD RUSTIN's and HARRY WACHTEL's advice since the people on this program try to "trap" the guest. WACHTEL and RUSTIN agreed to help KING in this regard.

3. Value:

Persons with Communist backgrounds having influence on KING's public statements.

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/2/65

2. Nature of information:

AL LUTHMERS (an official of the SCOPE program) explained that he had been working for SCLC for one week and was one of four executives assigned to the SCOPE project which has a budget of \$480,000. (SCOPE is the Summer Community Organization for Political Education being conducted in several southern states by SCLC). LUTHMERS proceeded to explain in detail the essence of the SCOPE program.

3. Value:

Advanced information on a major program of SCLC to be conducted in the South.

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/5/65

2. Nature of Information:

BAYARD RUSTIN advised KING he wanted him to sign a telegram to be sent to unknown individuals by the "Religious Leaders for National Action." RUSTIN said the telegram would concern the U. S. Government's Viet Nam policy and would be sent in late April.

3. Value:

Using of KING in attempt to influence U. S. foreign policy. RUSTIN is an admitted former member of the Communist Party.

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/7/65

2. Nature of information:

ED CLAYTON advised an unknown reporter that he was compiling information on all staff members of SCLC as well as some close associates of the organization. CLAYTON advised that SCLC tries to keep KING from becoming linked with RUSTIN because of charges that RUSTIN is a Communist and has been convicted of sodomy charges.

3. Value:

Shows knowledge of KING's associates on the part of staff.

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/8/65

2. Nature of Information:

KING advised that SCOPE must overcome the terrible image that Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) has created with college students concerning SCLC. KING advised SNCC is growing more bitter toward SCLC as time goes on. He said SNCC has a summer program and will encourage college students not to participate in the SCOPE project.

3. Value:

Furnishes valuable information regarding a split between SNCC and SCLC.

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/12/65

2. Nature of Information:

LILLIE HUNTER (Secretary to the Treasurer of SCLC) informed KING that SCLC has \$104,591 presently in the bank and approximately \$100,000 in addition to this which had not yet been deposited. (Apparently from contributions flowing in because of Alabama racial demonstrations).

3. Value:

Information serves to indicate approximate estimate of financial aid received because of civil rights program of SCLC in Alabama.

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/12/65

2. Nature of Information:

KING instructed his secretary to have CLARENCE JONES write a Foreward for a book which is being written by WILLIAM BRADFORD HUEY entitled "Three Lives from Mississippi."

3. Value:

Shows influence on KING's writings by a person with Communist background.

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/13/65

2. Nature of Information:

HOSEA WILLIAMS, Director of Political Education of SCLC who is running the SCOPE program for KING, recommended that an advisory committee be set up in conjunction with the SCOPE program. Among those suggested by WILLIAMS were BAYARD RUSTIN, CLARENCE JONES and HARRY WACHTEL.

3. Value:

Shows possible Communist influence to be exerted on the new SCOPE program.

April 19, 1965

- 1 - Mr. J.D. Donohue
- 1 - Mr. W.T. Forsyth
- 1 - Mr. Phillips

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To: SAC, Atlanta (100-6670-E)

From: Director, FBI (100-442529)

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Reurairtel 4/15/65 which advised that Martin Luther King, Jr., was planning to move his residence during the week of 4/12/65 to a recently purchased home located at 234 Sunset Avenue, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia, and that he was planning to have two telephone numbers at his new residence. It was stated that it was apparent that present source at King's residence, AT 1379-S* would be discontinued as a result of the move. Bureau authority was requested to conduct a survey on the new residence so that appropriate recommendations might follow concerning technical coverage there. You assured full security for this survey.

Bureau authority is granted for the survey provided full security is assured. Take no action relative to installation, limiting your action only to survey. Expedite so that any break in coverage may be minimized. Promptly advise Bureau of time and date of discontinuance at old residence.

Keep Bureau promptly advised of all pertinent developments.

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NOTE: AT 1379-S* is a technical surveillance on the residence of King, 563 Johnson Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia. It was authorized 10/15/63 and installed 11/8/63. It is noted that when we received the then Attorney General's authority for installation of this coverage, it was to be on King's residence or at any future address to which he may move. This source has, of course, been a most prolific one for extremely valuable intelligence relating to King and communist influence on him. After receipt of the results of survey and Atlanta's recommendations, a memorandum will be prepared along with any necessary correspondence with the Attorney General.

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Date: 4/15/65

Transmit the following in _____
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AIRMAIL

Via _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529) (JUNE)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)

RE: CIRM

Sources, Atlanta, advised Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. during week of 4/12/65 is planning to move his residence to a recently purchased home located at 234 Sunset Avenue, N.W., Atlanta, Ga. Source further advised that subject has instructed installation of two telephone numbers at this residence.

ELSR In view of the above, it is apparent present source AT 1379-S* will be discontinued as a result of this move. Bureau authority is requested to conduct survey on new residence of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., so that appropriate recommendations may be made concerning TESURS. Full security is insured for this survey.

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C. G. Wick

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____

6 MAY 25 1965
Special Agent in Charge

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Memorandum

TO: *W. S. Lovel*

FROM: *L. E. Short*

SUBJECT: CIRM
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DATE: MAR 25 1965

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The attached ENCLOSURE has been received in the Records Branch, appropriately initialed, and indicated for file. By use of instant transmittal memorandum, all necessary recording and indexing will be accomplished. It is to be noted this form is for internal use only within the Records Branch, principally by the Routing Unit where bulky material not accompanied by memorandum is usually received.

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SAC, Atlanta (100-6670-E)

2/5/65

JUNE

Director ^{REC AO} FBI (100-442529) — 700

1 - Mr. Phillips
1 - Mr. Donohue

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN
RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Reference is made to your Forms FD-143 dated 1/25/65 submitted as justification for tesurs AT 1379-S* and AT 1380-S* through AT 1386-S*. *ELSG*

Effective with the latest justification FD-143, these forms should be submitted in each of these cases to reach the Bureau on or before the 25th of each April, July, October and January of each year as long as they are necessary for this investigation. Set up an appropriate administrative device to be certain that these forms reach the Bureau as indicated.

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: January 29, 1965

FROM : J. A. Sizoo

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SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

5- RB Gyps

SAC [Roney] called on 1/28/65 asking for authority to place microphone coverage on the rooms King and a traveling companion will occupy in the Americana Hotel in New York on 1/29 and 1/30/65. He advised King had been assigned Rooms 3223 and 3225, and that the New York Office has available for coverage purposes Rooms 3323 and 3325, which are one floor above those occupied by King. [These rooms were obtained without advice to the hotel of the office's interest in King.]

New York stated that in view of King's continued contacts with persons affiliated with communist interests [and his general activities] it was considered desirable that microphone coverage be placed on King while in New York. He is scheduled to arrive in New York early 1/29 and leave late 1/30/65. New York also requested authority to pay up to \$40 a day for the rooms necessary for monitoring purposes.

ACTION:

I authorized New York to go ahead with the microphone coverage since it will only be on for a short time and in view of the potential for developing intelligence information of interest to us. New York also was authorized to make the necessary expenditures for rental of monitoring space.

- JAS:mls (6)
- 1-Mr. Belmont
 - 1-Mr. Sullivan
 - 1-Mr. Baumgardner
 - 1-Mr. Phillips
 - 1-Mr. [unclear]

wc/s

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COPY SENT TO MR. TOLSON

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FBI

Date: 1/29/65

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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-136585)
SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.
SM-C

Belmont
Ph...

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ReBu telephone call of Inspector JOSEPH SIZOO, 1/28/65, authorizing misur coverage of subject at the Americana Hotel, 53rd St. and 7th Ave., NYC.

Ed...

At 4:30 p.m., 1/28/65, coverage was effected on the suite of rooms of subject. These rooms are designated as 4123 and 4125, and the sources covering are NY 4902-S* and NY 4903-S*, respectively.

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The aforementioned sources are being monitored from rooms 4223 and 4225.

Security assured.

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Memorandum

JUNE

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (Bufile ~~100-106670~~) DATE: 1/25/65

FROM : *JKP*
CMW SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)

SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title Communist Influence in Racial Matters
Character of Case Internal Security - C
Field Office Atlanta CONF. INFT.
Symbol Number AT 1379-S*
Type of Surveillance: (Technical or Microphone) Technical

1. Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:

Martin Luther King, Jr.

2. Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:

563 Johnson Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Ga., covered by installation made at Houston and Boulevard, N.E.

3. Location of monitoring plant:

300 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Ga. Apartment 20K

4. Dates of initial authorization and installation:

10/15/63
11/8/63

5. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):

None

6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:

- a. Is a trunk line utilized? Yes REC-40
- b. Is the surveillance on a switchboard? No 2-9
- c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone? No 25 JAN 26 1965

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- d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line? Private
- e. If a party line, how many parties? -
7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each: -
8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination:
- No
9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)
- See Addendum
10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?
- No
11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject:
- None
12. Has security factor changed since installation?
- No
13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):
- None
14. Cost of Plant Premises:
- a. Rental costs for plant premises: \$250 per month
- b. Give total number of other surveillances monitored at same plant.
 Seven

- c. If any others, set out the proportionate cost of instant surveillance:

\$31.25 per month

15. Cost of Leased Line for instant installation?

\$3.80 per month

16. Personnel Costs:

- a. Give total number of special employees and/or Special Agents working at plant and total salary costs.

3 Special Agents	Total annual salaries
1 Investigative Clerk	\$39,824

- b. Total number of man hours per week spent at plant?

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- c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:

26.6 man hours

- d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:

\$4,978

17. Remarks (By SAC):

Recommend surveillance be continued for 90 days.

18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

(If this surveillance involves cryptanalysis, include statement that decrypted material is or is not sufficiently important to continue decrypting.)

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AT 1379-S*

is a technical surveillance on the residence of Martin Luther King, Jr., 563 Johnson Avenue, Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia. King is head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and a nationally known integration leader. This installation was authorized 10/15/63 and installed on 11/8/63.

This source has provided extremely valuable information on a day to day basis regarding the subject's association with individuals of a communist background and has shown the influence exerted on King by these individuals. This source has enabled the Bureau to keep abreast of King's activities in racial matters. In this regard, for example, on 10/26/64 source provided information that Ralph Abernathy advised that James Bevel and others were promoting a mass march to take place on 11/2/64 at Montgomery, Alabama. On 11/4/64 the source provided information that Bayard Rustin advised King how to put pressure on President Johnson to get more action in obtaining civil rights objectives. Rustin is a former member of the Young Communist League. On 12/3/64 this source provided information indicating that Harry Wachtel and Bayard Rustin had worked up changes for a speech King was to make. On 12/31/64 this source provided information indicating that King would meet with one Ralph Helstein, a former Communist Party member.

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This source has provided a great deal of information concerning King's extramarital activities and his dates with numerous women throughout the country. This source is extremely valuable in fully implementing our coverage of King's Southern Christian Leadership Conference and other racial activities. The Domestic Intelligence Division concurs with the recommendation of SAC, Atlanta, that this source be continued for an additional three-month period.

wy *[Signature]* *[Signature]* *[Signature]*

Four pages deleted containing totally information obtained
from ELSUR coverage of Martin Luther King, Jr.

ADDENDUM:

Item 9

Action Taken:

In all of the following instances Letterhead Memorandums were submitted to the Bureau and interested offices and leads were set out where necessary.

1. Date Information Furnished: 10/26/64

2. Nature of Information:

RALPH ABERNATHY (Treasurer of Southern Christian Leadership Conference, SCLC) advised that JAMES BEVEL (Field Secretary of SCLC) and others were promoting a mass march to take place on 11/2/64 at Montgomery, Alabama. Later, MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. (President of SCLC) instructed one of his assistants to immediately get in touch with JAMES BEVEL and have this proposed march stopped at once.

3. Value:

Racial matter plans learned in advance.

1. Date Information Furnished: 10/17/64

2. Nature of Information: President JOHNSON congratulates KING on receiving the Nobel Peace Prize.

3. Value:

Keeps Bureau abreast of political associations.

1. Date Information Furnished: 10/20/64

2. Nature of Information:

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. was in contact with BAYARD RUSTIN, HARRY WACHTEL and ANDREW YOUNG regarding changes to be made in a "Saturday Evening Post" article under KING's name.

3. Value:

Shows Communist Influence in the writing of KING's articles.

1. Date Information Furnished: 11/4/64

2. Nature of Information:

BAYARD RUSTIN advised KING on how to put pressure on President JOHNSON to get more action in obtaining SCLC objectives.

3. Value:

Shows person with Communist background influencing KING.

1. Date Information Furnished: 11/4/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING in contact with CLARENCE JONES. JONES advised KING on what form their struggle would take since the election was over. JONES impressed on KING that President JOHNSON is aware of the debt he owes to Negro political power. JONES and KING planned to take this matter up in their next meeting in New York City at HARRY WACHTEL's office.

JONES suggested they reassess the role that a "mutual friend" might now play. This was in reference to STANLEY D. LEVISON.

3. Value:

Shows KING being influenced by individuals with Communist backgrounds in the operation of SCLC.

1. Date Information Furnished: 11/6/64

2. Nature of Information:

HARRY WACHTEL taking part in arranging honorary dinner for KING in New York scheduled for 11/17/64. WACHTEL was working with BAYARD RUSTIN and another former Communist Party member in this regard.

3. Value:

Shows closeness of KING and individuals with Communist backgrounds.

1. Date Information Furnished: 11/16/64

2. Nature of Information:

Activities of HARRY WACHTEL and BAYARD RUSTIN taking part in KING's trip to Europe when he was to receive Nobel Peace Prize.

3. Value:

Shows persons with Communist backgrounds making plans for KING's trip abroad.

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/3/64

2. Nature of Information:

WACHTEL discussed with KING an invitation received by KING from Governor ROCKEFELLER to fly to Albany, New York, 12/17/64 for lunch in the executive chambers. WACHTEL advised KING to not make this trip but to have ROCKEFELLER meet him in New York City 12/17 or 18/64 and work out a date for a private lunch which WACHTEL could attend.

3. Value:

Shows Communist influence over KING, since the above was actually carried out.

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/3/64

2. Nature of Information:

WACHTEL told KING that HUBERT HUMPHREY was to introduce KING to a Harlem Rally when KING returns from receiving the Nobel Peace Prize. WACHTEL indicated this was arranged through LEE WHITE, a White House Aide.

3. Value:

Shows the Administration's action in conjunction with WACHTEL's and KING's activities.

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/3/64

2. Nature of Information:

WACHTEL told KING that he and RUSTIN had worked together on a speech of KING's and had submitted the changes to be made. (The identity of this speech was not known).

3. Value:

Shows Communist influence on KING's speeches.

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/31/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING advised that he had met on 12/31/64 in Chicago, Illinois, with RALPH HELSTEIN and CHAUNCEY ESKRIDGE. (HELSTEIN is a former Communist Party member).

3. Value:

Shows possible influence on KING from labor leader who formerly held Communist Party membership and is still close to WACHTEL, CLARENCE JONES and other persons with Communist backgrounds.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

JUNE

TO : DIRECTOR, (Bufile 100-442529) DATE: 1/25/65
FBI

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)

SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title Communist Influence in Racial Matters

Character of Case Internal Security - C

Field Office Atlanta CONF. INET

Symbol Number AT 1380-S* through AT 1386-S*

Type of Surveillance: (Technical or Microphone) Technical

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*Received
Justified
1/24/65*

1. Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

2. Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:

Installation made at 328 Auburn Avenue, N.E., to cover
330 Auburn Avenue, N.E.

Atlanta, Ga

3. Location of monitoring plant:

300 West Peachtree Street, N.E.
Apartment 20K

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4. Dates of initial authorization and installation:

10/15/63 7/8/64
11/8/63 — 7/10/64 —

5. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):

None
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6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:

a. Is a trunk line utilized? Yes

b. Is the surveillance on a switchboard? Yes

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c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone? No

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- d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line? Private
- e. If a party line, how many parties? -
7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each: -
8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination:
No
9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)

See Addendum
10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?
No
11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject:

None
12. Has security factor changed since installation?

No
13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):
None
14. Cost of Plant Premises:
a. Rental costs for plant premises: \$250 per month
b. Give total number of other surveillances monitored at same plant.
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c. If any others, set out the proportionate cost of instant surveillance:

\$218.75 per month

15. Cost of Leased Line for instant installation?

\$26.60 per month

16. Personnel Costs:

a. Give total number of special employees and/or Special Agents working at plant and total salary costs.

3 Agents	Total annual salaries
1 Investigative Clerk	\$39,824

b. Total number of man hours per week spent at plant?

213

c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:

186.2

d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:

\$34,846

17. Remarks (By SAC):

Recommend surveillance be continued for 90 days.

18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

(If this surveillance involves cryptanalysis, include statement that decrypted material is or is not sufficiently important to continue decrypting.)

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AT 1380-S*, AT 1381-S*, AT 1382-S*, AT 1383-S*, AT 1384-S*,
AT 1385-S*, AT 1386-S* comprise a single technical surveillance covering the activities of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), 330 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia. The several symbol numbers result from the various lines installed, originally authorized 10/15/63; installed 11/8/63. Additional lines authorized 7/8/64; installed 7/10/64. The SCLC and its leader, Martin Luther King, Jr., are subjects of intensified Bureau investigation because of the considerable communist influence exerted upon King and the SCLC.

The past 90 days witnessed a continuing flow of much very valuable information, much of which concerns racial matters generally throughout the country. Examples: On 10/15, 20; 11/9, 13, 14, 30; 12/2/64 information obtained concerning the writings and speeches of King and the influence of his associates with questionable backgrounds. On 10/21/64 information obtained revealing the considerable influence over King by Bayard Rustin, a former Young Communist League member. Also learned that the United Auto Workers of America had given \$10,000 to the SCLC. On 12/1/64 information obtained concerning apparent influence of King relative to clearing an individual for a federal judgeship. On 12/8/64 information obtained that the National Science Foundation was to use the SCLC in recruiting applicants for fellowships. On 12/15/64 source advised that the notorious communist, Hunter Pitts O'Dell, was being forwarded a copy of the SCLC budget. On 12/21/64 we learned of King's continuing relationship with O'Dell.

The continued receipt of valuable intelligence from this source reflects the high merit attached to the continuance of this source for an additional three-month period. Same is recommended.

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Eight pages deleted containing totally information obtained
from ELSUR coverage of Southern Christain Leadership Conference.

ADDENDUM:

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Action Taken:

In all of the following instances Letterhead Memorandums were submitted to the Bureau and interested offices and leads were set out where necessary.

1. Date Information Furnished: 10/6/64
2. Nature of Information:
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. (President of Southern Christian Leadership Conference, SCLC) advised that RANDOLPH BLACKWELL (Program Coordinator of SCLC) was better administratively than ANDREW YOUNG but his background is not good. KING then stated BLACKWELL's background should not be discussed.

3. Value:
BLACKWELL is a former Communist Party member and the above indicates KING knows there is something wrong with BLACKWELL.

1. Date Information Furnished: 10/15/64
2. Nature of Information:
"New York Herald/Tribune" requested KING to write a 500 word essay on Problems and Prospects of the Civil Rights Movement for their 11/22/64 edition. KING told his secretary to have HARRY WACHTEL handle this article.

WACHTEL agreed to write this article.

KING's secretary told WACHTEL that KING wanted him to set up a "research committee" meeting for 11/5/64 in New York City.

3. Value:
Shows that WACHTEL, who has a Communist background, has influence over KING's writings and influences operations of SCLC.

1. Date Information Furnished: 10/22/64

2. Nature of Information:
ANDREW YOUNG, an official of SCLC, advised that the Democratic Committee in Washington, D. C., raised \$10,000 which was being sent to SCLC for their activities in the presidential election.

3. Value:
Shows SCLC's involvement in politics.

1. Date Information Furnished: 10/20/64

2. Nature of Information:
HARRY WACHTEL talked to ANDREW YOUNG about preparing an article for KING to appear in a future issue of "Saturday Evening Post". WACHTEL wanted to change certain parts of the article explaining that the situation had changed since KING had won the Nobel Peace Prize. This was after the article had already been submitted to the Post.

WACHTEL
YOUNG told WACHTEL the Post was agreeable to certain minor changes in the article and suggested WACHTEL confer with KING and BAYARD RUSTIN before making the necessary changes.

KING, RUSTIN, WACHTEL and YOUNG did have a discussion later to decide on the changes to be made.

3. Value:
Shows Communist influence on KING's writings.

1. Date Information Furnished: 10/21/64

2. Nature of Information:
In discussing the voting drive by SCLC, ANDREW YOUNG stated BAYARD RUSTIN was the key to success or failure of this. YOUNG further stated KING will follow any suggestions made by RUSTIN as he has great influence over KING and KING is guided by RUSTIN's opinions.

In connection with the voting drive by SCLC, YOUNG said he understood that United Auto Workers of America had appropriated \$10,000 to SCLC

3. Value:
Shows person with Communist background has great influence over KING. Shows labor union's support of SCLC in politics.

1. Date Information Furnished: 10/29/64

2. Nature of Information:
KING was informed by his Secretary that WACHTEL and RALPH HELSTEIN would attend a meeting of the SCLC Research Committee to be held in New York City 11/5/64.

3. Value:
Shows Communist influence in operations of SCLC.

1. Date Information Furnished: 11/6/64

2. Nature of Information:
RANDOLPH T. BLACKWELL (Program Coordinator of SCLC) advised SCLC would determine at a staff meeting to be held in Birmingham, Alabama, 11/10-12/64 whether they would "cut loose" in Alabama and Mississippi.

3. Value:
Shows an individual with Communist background involved in SCLC activities.

1. Date Information Furnished: 11/9/64

2. Nature of Information:
ANDREW YOUNG said BAYARD RUSTIN would write a draft of KING's speech which was to be given before the Nobel Peace Prize Commission.

3. Value:
Shows person with Communist background influencing KING's speeches.

1. Date Information Furnished: 11/13/64

2. Nature of Information:
KING's secretary told KING that the "New York Herald Tribune" wanted KING to write an article for the newspaper entitled "Looking Ahead". KING said WACHTEL was supposed to handle this and instructed his secretary to contact WACHTEL about it.

WACHTEL was contacted by KING's secretary and WACHTEL said that he had finished writing the article for KING and would give the manuscript to KING's wife when he sees her at a concert later.

3. Value:
Person with Communist background has influence on KING's writings.

1. Date Information Furnished: 11/14/64

2. Nature of Information:
KING and WACHTEL discussed activities to take place in New York City after KING's return from receiving the Nobel Peace Prize. WACHTEL furnished KING some of the activities to be planned to honor him. WACHTEL indicated that he had finished writing the speech for KING, which KING was to give at some of his ceremonies. He wanted KING to read the speech but KING said he was too busy and would check over it later with WACHTEL.

3. Value:
Individual with Communist background having influence over KING's speeches.

1. Date Information Furnished: 11/19/64

2. Nature of Information:
CORDY T. VIVIAN, Director of Affiliates of SCLC, advised KING what action to take with regard to his disagreement with the Director of the FBI.

3. Value:
Shows that former Communist Party member advised KING on actions to be taken in public relations matter.

1. Date Information Furnished: 11/19/64

2. Nature of Information:
KING instructed his secretary to have RANDOLPH T. BLACKWELL (Program Coordinator of SCLC) go over the press release and telegram which were being circulated in answer to the FBI Director's criticism of KING.

3. Value:
Shows BLACKWELL, a former CP member, having influence over activities of SCLC.

1. Date Information Furnished: 11/17/64

2. Nature of Information:

Names of persons accompanying KING to Oslo, Norway, included BAYARD RUSTIN, LAWRENCE REDDICK and HARRY WACHTEL.

3. Value:

Shows individuals with Communist backgrounds accompanied KING on his trip to receive the Nobel Peace Prize.

1. Date Information Furnished: 11/30/64

2. Nature of Information:

CORDY T. VIVIAN, Director of Affiliates of SCLC, advised SCLC was going into the "black belt" of Alabama at Selma on 1/2/65 and would be there through the summer.

3. Value:

Furnished advance information on racial activities being planned by SCLC.

1. Date Information Furnished: 11/27/64

2. Nature of Information:

WACHTEL and KING discussed their trip to Europe where KING was to receive Nobel Peace Prize, in 12/64. In discussing a speech he would give, KING said he had sent WACHTEL a copy of it and wanted WACHTEL to read the speech and make suggestions of changes that he felt were necessary.

3. Value:

Persons with Communist background being requested by KING to approve his speech.

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/1/64

2. Nature of Information:

HOSEA WILLIAMS, Director of Political Education with SCLC, advised that SCLC and the International Chemical Workers Union were working together on a strike at Scripto, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia.

3. Value:
Shows SCLC's cooperation with a labor union and shows their involvement in labor union matters.

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/1/64

2. Nature of Information:
WACHTEL told KING that he had heard from JACK GREENBERG (Attorney for National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) who had been contacted by acting Attorney General KATZENBACH regarding clearing a man for the U. S. Circuit Court in Mississippi. WACHTEL said he told GREENBERG he would clear the names with KING. KING stated that he would not know the suggested judges by name and indicated he would back anyone GREENBERG thought would be all right.

3. Value:
Shows potential influence of KING in the selection of persons for federal positions.

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/2/64

2. Nature of Information:
KING told his secretary that BAYARD RUSTIN was working on his, KING's, speech which was to be given at a press conference in New York on 12/3/64.

3. Value:
Shows Communist influence on KING's public statements.

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/8/64

2. Nature of Information:
A representative of the National Science Foundation, Washington, D. C., contacted CORDY T. VIVIAN for qualified applicants to enter the University of Mississippi. The representative said the National Science Foundation is doing this work to place Negro applicants in Southern universities by operating through civil rights organizations because they do not want it publicly known that National Science Foundation was doing this.

3. Value:
Shows government agency working covertly in racial matters.

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/10/64

2. Nature of Information:

Reverend RALPH SMELTZER of Selma, Alabama, told CORDY T. VIVIAN that demonstrations by SCLC would not help things in Alabama because they were currently making progress and if SCLC entered the picture it would cause resentment. VIVIAN indicated SCLC was not satisfied with the progress and was coming to Selma anyway.

3. Value:

Shows SCLC's attitude on racial activities.

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/15/64

2. Nature of Information:

ED CLAYTON told ANNE BRADEN of the Southern Conference Educational Fund that he had used her article on "War and Poverty" in a recent issue of the SCLC Newsletter.

3. Value:

Shows SCLC's use of ANNE BRADEN's writings. BRADEN is a former Communist Party member.

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/15/64

2. Nature of Information:

RUTH BAILEY, an employee of the New York Office of SCLC, requested HOSEA WILLIAMS to send a copy of the SCLC budget to her and also another copy for JACK O'DELL (National Committee member of the Communist Party, USA).

WILLIAMS said he was going to be in New York City 12/17/64 and BAILEY stated in that case he should contact O'DELL.

3. Value:

Shows continued contact between SCLC and a member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, USA.

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/21/64

2. Nature of Information:

EDWINA SMITH, Secretary to the Executive Director of SCLC, told an employee of the Southern Regional Council, Atlanta, Ga., that KING still associates with O'DELL because O'DELL makes contributions to SCLC. SMITH further advised O'DELL was no longer committed to the Communist Party. She stated O'DELL is currently a member of the Executive Staff of SCLC in New York. She said KING still has contact with O'DELL but this contact is not very close at this time because O'DELL stays in New York.

3. Value:

Shows continued association between KING and a Communist Party official.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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- Trotter
- Tele. Room
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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 1/8/65

FROM : J. A. Sizoo

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

Handwritten notes and signatures:
 5/28/65
 John Doe
 [Signature]

New York called today and advised that King, [Bernard Lee, and Andrew Young] registered at the Park Sheraton Hotel and were assigned Room 2541 and 2543. SAC [Roney] advised that the New York Office had for monitoring purposes the availability of Rooms 2439 and 2441.

In view of the nature of the discussion which King was scheduled to have in New York with [Clarence Jones and Harry Wachtel], it was felt the results of the discussion would contain considerable intelligence information. New York said that through other information which they have developed, it appears the meeting will actually be held in [Wachtel's] office, but New York still strongly recommended use of microphone coverage in the rooms occupied by King's party as the results of the meeting in [Wachtel's] office would later be discussed in the hotel rooms.

In view of King's continued contact with [Clarence Jones, who is King's conduit for contact with communist [Stanley Levison] and in view of other activities of King,] it is considered highly desirable that New York place microphone coverage on these rooms if this can be done with full security. [Roney] assured me full security would be available [and that the individuals involved will be under physical surveillance so the microphone installation could be made during the conference in Wachtel's office.] New York contemplated use of two Wasp instruments, which would not involve running wires out of the rooms and which instruments can be installed with full security.

ACTION:

Under the circumstances, I authorized New York to go ahead with the installation provided it could be done with full security.

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- 1-Mr. Belmont; 1-Mr. Sullivan;
- 1-Mr. Baumgardner; 1-Mr. Bland;
- 1-Mr. Donohue; 1-Mr. Phillips;
- 1-Mr. Sizoo

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FOR MR. TOLSON

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____

Special Agent in Charge

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(SA Wilfred L. Bergeson to
Supv. T. P. Rosack)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 11/2/64

JRF

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670E)

JUNE

SUBJECT: CIRM

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated 10/23/64 which requested information regarding one live informant covering same subject as informants AT 1380-S* through ELSM, AT 1386-S*.

The current reply of one is correct as AT 1387-S is actively working with SCLC and is a former Bureau informant residing in San Francisco and Little Rock, Ark., prior to his moving to the Atlanta area during Summer of 1964.

tends to identify informant

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 10/14/64

JAF

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)

SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title Communist Influence in Racial Matters

Character of Case Internal Security -C
Field Office Atlanta

Symbol Number AT 1380-S* through AT 1386-S

Type of Surveillance: (Technical or Microphone) Technical *ELSHRS*

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1. Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

2. Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:

Installation made at 328 Auburn Avenue, N.E., to cover 330 Auburn Avenue, N.E.

3. Location of monitoring plant:

300 West Peachtree Street, N.E.
Apartment 20 K

4. Dates of initial authorization and installation:

10/15/63 7/8/64
11/8/63 7/10/64

5. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):

None

*See to [unclear]
10/7/64 [unclear]*

6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:

- a. Is a trunk line utilized? Yes
- b. Is the surveillance on a switchboard? Yes
- c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone? No

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d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line? Private

e. If a party line, how many parties? -

7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each: -

8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination:

no

9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)

See Addendum

10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?

No

11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject:

One

12. Has security factor changed since installation?

No

13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):

None

14. Cost of Plant Premises:

a. Rental costs for plant premises: \$250 per month

b. Give total number of other surveillances monitored at same plant.

One

- c. If any others, set out the proportionate cost of instant surveillance:

\$218,75 per month

15. Cost of Leased Line for instant installation?

\$176.48 installation charges \$26.60 per month for
lease of seven lines

16. Personnel Costs:

- a. Give total number of special employees and/or Special Agents working at plant and total salary costs.

3 Agents	Total annual salaries
1 Investigative Clerk	\$43,714

- b. Total number of man hours per week spent at plant?

213

- c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:

186.2

- d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:

\$38,250

17. Remarks (By SAC):

Recommend surveillance be continued 90 days.

18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

(If this surveillance involves cryptanalysis, include statement that decrypted material is or is not sufficiently important to continue decrypting.)

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There has been a continuing flow of a large volume of extremely valuable information concerning the organization and individual in question, as well as concerning racial matters generally in this country. Examples: On 7/15/64 information obtained concerning travels of King and other SCLC people. On 7/22/64 information obtained concerning a \$1,000 donation to the SCLC by a Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, judge. On 7/27,28/64 information obtained concerning King's involvement in negotiations with the New York City Mayor concerning the Harlem riots. On 8/4/64 source advised of King's intention to send a "team" to Rochester, New York, as an aftermath of riots there. On 8/7/64 source advised that Bayard Rustin (former Young Communist League member now advisor to King) was preparing a telegram to be sent to President Johnson in King's name. On 8/12,18/64 information obtained concerning King's involvement in Democratic National Convention. On 9/25/64 source advised of help King was getting from his advisors concerning an article he was writing.

Because of the continued receipt of valuable intelligence through this source, its continuance for an additional three-month period is highly merited and recommended.

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from ELSUR coverage of Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

ADDENDUM:

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1. Date Information Furnished: 7/15/64

2. Nature of Information:

Kw *el* ~~CORDY T. VIVIAN, ANDREW YOUNG (Executive Assistant to MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.) and DOROTHY COTTON (Director of Citizenship School of Southern Christian Leadership Conference) were leaving Atlanta, Georgia, with MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. on 7/21/64 for Meridian, Mississippi. The source filled in details regarding tour of Mississippi by KING.~~

3. Value and Action Taken:

~~Kept field abreast of racial developments in Mississippi.~~

~~Teletype submitted 7/15/64 followed by Letterhead Memorandum.~~

1. Date Information Furnished: 7/15/64

2. Nature of Information:

Attorney General of Florida told ANDREW YOUNG "off the record" in July, 1964, that he thought perhaps Southern Christian Leadership Conference should send someone to Monsom's Motel, make a dignified request for service and when refused file suit for an injunction.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Kept field abreast of racial matter developments in St. Augustine, Florida.

Letterhead Memorandum submitted 7/16/64.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 7/22/64

2. Nature of Information:

DORA McDONALD (Secretary of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.) told KING that Southern Christian Leadership Conference had received a \$1,000 check from Judge RAYMOND PACE ALEXANDER of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, along with ALEXANDER's photograph and a biographical outline of himself. She told KING that ALEXANDER also submitted a letter indicating he would like to come to Atlanta, Georgia, and help KING.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows donation and possible influence from an individual who a number of years ago displayed pro-Communist and pro-Soviet sympathies.

Letter submitted to the Bureau and interested offices, on 7/24/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 7/23/64

2. Nature of Information:

ANDREW YOUNG told DORA McDONALD that she was to have RANDOLPH BLACKWELL rewrite KING's press release regarding GOLDWATER.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows an individual who was a former member of the Communist Party writing press release for KING.

Letterhead Memorandum submitted 7/24/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 7/25/64

2. Nature of Information:

VINCE HULESCAMP, U. S. Department of Agriculture, contacted BLACKWELL and advised that the Department of Agriculture had an opening for a Clerk Stenographer and wanted to know if BLACKWELL could recommend someone for the position.

ADDENDUM:

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows U. S. Government agency recruiting employees through Southern Christian Leadership Conference and in so doing was in contact with former Communist Party member who is in high position with Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

Letterhead Memorandum submitted 7/28/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 7/27/64

2. Nature of Information:

NYC
KING advised RUSTIN that he would see Mayor WAGNER on the night of 7/27/64 in New York City. He said that he felt that prior to the meeting with the Mayor he must make a statement to the press regarding racial violence in New York City indicating that he did not approve. KING requested RUSTIN to draft a statement for him to use and release to the press and RUSTIN indicated he would do this.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows an individual with Communist background having influence on KING's public statements in the civil rights field.

Letterhead Memorandum was submitted 9/3/64 (delayed because RUSTIN's identity was not determined immediately upon receipt of the information).

1. Date Information Furnished: 7/28/64

2. Nature of Information:

NYC
KING contacted YOUNG and advised that the extremist local leaders in Harlem were angry because KING had met with Mayor WAGNER. KING told YOUNG that he was not doing too well with the Mayor and although the Mayor wanted to do the right thing he was not a strong individual.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Kept field abreast of racial situation, New York City. Letterhead Memorandum was submitted 7/30/64.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 8/4/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING requested BAYARD RUSTIN to contact some wealthy interests he knows to finance sending a "team" to Rochester, New York, to work on the racial situation there.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows KING making request of individual with Communist background.

Letterhead Memorandum submitted 8/5/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 8/4/64

2. Nature of Information:

ANDREW YOUNG advised a member of the press that plans for a Southern Christian Leadership Conference voter registration program were being handled by RANDOLPH BLACKWELL and JAMES BEVEL.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows former Communist Party member BLACKWELL in position of responsibility with Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

Letterhead Memorandum was submitted 8/6/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 8/7/64

2. Nature of Information:

BAYARD RUSTIN discussed with KING sending a telegram to President JOHNSON which would go out over KING's name but would be dictated by RUSTIN.

ADDENDUM:

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows individual with Communist background having influence over KING in his communication with the President of the United States.

Letterhead Memorandum was submitted 8/11/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 8/12/64

2. Nature of Information:

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KING was invited to appear before the Democratic Platform Committee for the National Convention held at Atlantic City, New Jersey. SUMNER KAPLAN of Brookline, Massachusetts, wanted KING to talk with the Massachusetts delegation to the Democratic convention.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows KING's influence in politics.

Letterhead Memorandum was submitted 8/14/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 8/18/64

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DORA McDONALD told KING he had received in the mail 8/17/64 a note from HARRY WACHTEL which included a paragraph to be added to KING's statement which he was making for the Democratic Party Platform Committee in Washington, D. C.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows individual with Communist background having influence when KING is involved in political activities.

Letterhead Memorandum was submitted on 8/20/64.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 8/18/64

2. Nature of Information:

DOROTHY COTTON told KING that C. T. VIVIAN would be in Savannah, Georgia, on 8/19/64 to make plans for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference convention.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows former Communist Party member involved in a position of responsibility with Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

Letterhead Memorandum was submitted 8/20/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 9/16/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING advised an employee of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference headquarters office to furnish C. T. VIVIAN a message that CARL BRADEN wrote a pamphlet regarding the Albany, Georgia, convictions of civil rights workers and that BRADEN would like to be given some time at the Southern Christian Leadership Conference convention.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows influence BRADEN, former Communist Party member, has in the civil rights field and with Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

A Letterhead Memorandum was submitted 9/18/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 9/24/64

2. Nature of Information:

EDWINA SMITH advised on 9/24/64 that HARRY WACHTEL and LAWRENCE REDDICK were on the Resolutions Committee of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference convention.

ADDENDUM:

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows influence of two individuals with Communist backgrounds on Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

1. Date Information Furnished: 9/24/64

2. Nature of Information:

C. T. VIVIAN advised on 9/24/64 that he had worked in Atlanta as well as in St. Augustine, Florida, with regard to the racial situation in St. Augustine. VIVIAN described how he had sat at his desk and "stirred up the trouble" in St. Augustine and in downtown Atlanta, Georgia.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows individual who is a former Communist Party member having influence in Southern Christian Leadership Conference and that organization's racial activities.

Letterhead Memorandum submitted 9/28/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 9/25/64

2. Nature of Information:

On 9/25/64, HARRY WACHTEL and KING discussed an article KING was to write titled "Myth of the Backlash." WACHTEL stated CLARENCE JONES wanted to discuss the material with BAYARD RUSTIN before submitting it to WACHTEL. WACHTEL said he would contact JONES and have him send the material before obtaining RUSTIN's comments.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows influence of three individuals with Communist backgrounds on an article to be submitted by KING for publication.

Letterhead Memorandum submitted 9/29/64.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 10/14/64

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670-E)

SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title Communist Influence in
Racial Matters

Character of Case Internal Security - C

Field Office Atlanta

Symbol Number AT 1379-S* FLS 4R2

Type of Surveillance: (Technical or
Microphone) Technical

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1. Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:

Marlin Luther King, Jr.
~~Southern Christian Leadership Conference~~

2. Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:

563 Johnson Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Ga., covered by installation made at Houston and Boulevard, N.E.

3. Location of monitoring plant:

300 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Ga.
Apartment 20K

4. Dates of initial authorization and installation:

10/15/63
11/8/63

5. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):

None

6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:

- a. Is a trunk line utilized? Yes 114
- b. Is the surveillance on a switchboard? No
- c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone? No

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d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line? Private

e. If a party line, how many parties?

7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each:

8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination:

No

9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)

See Addendum

10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?

No

11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject:

One

12. Has security factor changed since installation?

No

13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):

None

14. Cost of Plant Premises:

a. Rental costs for plant premises: \$250 per month

b. Give total number of other surveillances monitored at same plant.

Seven

- c. If any others, set out the proportionate cost of instant surveillance:

\$31.25 per month

15. Cost of Leased Line for instant installation?

Same

16. Personnel Costs:

- a. Give total number of special employees and/or Special Agents working at plant and total salary costs.

3 Special Agents	Total annual salaries
1 Investigative Clerk	\$43,714

- b. Total number of man hours per week spent at plant?

213

- c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:

26.6 man hours

- d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:

\$5,464

17. Remarks (By SAC):

Recommend surveillance be continued for 90 days.

18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

(If this surveillance involves cryptanalysis, include statement that decrypted material is or is not sufficiently important to continue decrypting.)

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AT 1379-S* is a technical surveillance on the residence of Martin Luther King, Jr., 563 Johnson Avenue Northeast, Atlanta, Georgia. King is head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and a nationally known integration leader. This installation was authorized 10/15/63 and installed on 11/8/63.

This source has provided extremely valuable information on a day-to-day basis regarding the subject's association with individuals of a communist background. This source has shown the influence exerted on King by these individuals:

This source has enabled the Bureau to keep abreast of King's activities in regard to racial matters. Specifically, on 7/11/64 this source provided information indicating that a radio station in Chicago had collected \$20,000 for King's use in the racial movement. This source enabled the Bureau to keep abreast of racial developments in the New York area during the recent racial riots.

This source has shown the influence that Bayard Rustin, admitted former member of the Communist Party, has had and continues to have on King.

This source has provided a great deal of information regarding King's extramarital activities and his dates with numerous women throughout the country. This source is extremely valuable in fully implementing our coverage of King, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and other racial activities. The Domestic Intelligence Division concurs with the recommendation of the SAC, Atlanta, that this source be continued for an additional three-month period.

Three pages deleted containing totally information obtained
from ELSUR coverage of Martin Luther King, Jr.

ADDENDUM:

Item 9

1. Date Information Furnished: 7/11/64

2. Nature of Information:

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR's wife, CORETTA, was advised by Radio Station WVON in Chicago, Illinois, they had collected \$20,000 for KING.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Enables the field to keep abreast of KING's income.

An aritel was submitted on 7/14/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 7/11/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING told DOROTHY COTTON (Director of Citizenship Training of Southern Christian Leadership Conference) that CLARENCE JONES and HARRY WACHTEL had never liked WYATT WALKER (former Executive Director of Southern Christian Leadership Conference) and would never let WALKER sit in on meetings.

KING and COTTON discussed RALPH MCGILL, Publisher of the "Atlanta Constitution" newspaper. KING stated MCGILL is definitely not a Republican and commented that a Republican cannot see the need of "collectivism". KING further stated he was going to speak out against GOLDWATER and would write an article to show the real danger of GOLDWATER is that he would be an umbrella for all racists and anti-forces.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows internal influences in Southern Christian Leadership Conference of people with Communist background.

Letterhead Memorandum was submitted 7/14/64.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 7/26/64

2. Nature of Information:

DAVID LIVINGSTON acting as intermediary for Mayor WAGNER of New York City asked KING to go to New York on the night of 7/27/64 to confer with the Mayor on racial problems.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Enabled field to keep abreast of developments in racial situation, New York City.

Teletype was submitted 7/26/64 to the Bureau and interested offices.

1. Date Information Furnished: 8/1/64

2. Nature of Information:

BAYARD RUSTIN told CORETTA KING that KING wanted him to keep him advised of the New York Situation regarding the Harlem trouble.

RUSTIN then proceeded to advise on four points that he wanted KING to know.

3. Value and Action Taken

Enabled the field to keep abreast of racial situation in New York and showed influence of an individual with Communist background.

Letterhead Memorandum was submitted on 8/4/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 9/6/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING contacted CLARENCE JONES and discussed KING's article for "Saturday Evening Post". It was to be a 3,000 word article. JONES stated that a Post representative felt the same way about the article as HARRY WACHTEL and BAYARD RUSTIN, who thought the article was too general and did not elaborate enough.

ADDENDUM:

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows individuals with Communist backgrounds influencing KING's writings.

A Letterhead Memorandum was submitted 9/9/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 9/7/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING told WACHTEL that CORDY T. VIVIAN (Director of Affiliates of Southern Christian Leadership Conference) was the Coordinator for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference convention to be held in Savannah, Georgia, 9/29/64 - 10/2/64. He said the format for the convention would be worked out on 9/8/64 and that RALPH HELSTEIN would be the speaker at the convention. KING invited WACHTEL and WACHTEL's wife to attend the convention. WACHTEL accepted with enthusiasm.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows individuals with Communist background having influence over Southern Christian Leadership Conference Convention.

Letterhead Memorandum was submitted 9/9/64.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

DATE: 10/12/64

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)
(100-438794)

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SAC, SAVANNAH (66-634)

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

ReBulet, 10/9/64.

ELSV SV 446-S* provided coverage in the Suite in Room 901
and adjoining bedroom, Room 902, Manger Hotel, Savannah.

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- 1 - Savannah

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SEC. [Signature]

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1 - J. D. Donohue

SAC, Savannah (66-634)

10-9-64

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Director, FBI (100-442529) / (100-438794)

JUNE

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
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Reurad 10-5-64. For record purposes advise
room number or numbers of coverage designated **SV 446-S***.

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: October 6, 1964

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

- 1-Mr. Belmont ✓
- 1-Mr. Sullivan
- 1-Mr. Baumgardner
- 1-Mr. Donohue
- 1-Mr. Rosack

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

We currently have a technical surveillance providing information concerning the activities of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), 330 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, for the purpose of determining the extent of communist influence upon SCLC leader Martin Luther King, Jr. This installation has provided considerable extremely valuable information relating to communist influences on the racial situation in the United States. King, as far as the general public is concerned, is one of the outstanding civil rights leaders. It is felt that this installation should be continued.

This installation has in the past furnished considerable information regarding the influences upon King and the SCLC by individuals connected with the communist movement. A great deal of this information has not been available from other sources. It is extremely urgent that such information continue to be available to the Bureau, particularly in view of King's prominence in the civil rights field and his contacts with high Government officials. The Bureau's responsibility in obtaining such information cannot be minimized. We are currently conducting intensified investigations on the SCLC and King because of these communist influences. An example of valuable information obtained was information indicating that King was to unleash a public attack upon the Director in April 1964. Another example is that information was obtained indicating that the SCLC was attempting to have a woman allegedly employed by President Johnson intercede with the President to have the Director issue a public statement to the effect that the SCLC and King were not influenced by communists. Intelligence being received from this source does not involve matters being considered for prosecution.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above installation be continued.

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WCS*

DATE: 9/28/64

JUNE

FROM : F. J. Baumgardner *FJB*

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Donohue
- 1 - Mr. Rosack

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

5 Baumgardner
Rosack
D. [unclear]

By teletype 9/26/64, the Savannah Office furnished results of a survey to determine the feasibility of installing microphone coverage of Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) convention to be held at Savannah, Georgia, 9/29-10/3/64 and in particular activities of Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., leader of the SCLC. Savannah recommends authority be granted to install such coverage for the purpose of determining the extent of communist infiltration or influence in the racial movement.

King will occupy a suite in the Manger Hotel, Savannah, Georgia, consisting of rooms 901 and 902. [Room 903 has also been reserved for an aid to King.] It is expected that conferences with King at the hotel will be held in room 901 which is a sitting room. Savannah expects to obtain the coverage from room 1002 which is located directly above room 901. The floor on which room 1002 is located consists mostly of salesmen's sample rooms and sleeping rooms are assigned on this floor only when necessary. Savannah advised that security can be assured.

Coverage will be required for four days and three nights and will be effected by radio communication with no visible connection between the two rooms.

It is expected that attempts will again be made to exert influence upon the SCLC and in particular on King by communists. Such coverage is desirable and it is expected that valuable information will be obtained relating to this investigation. The SCLC is currently under investigation to determine the extent of communist infiltration, domination, and/or control. Since this communist influence has in the past been exerted mainly upon King, such coverage is extremely important.

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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

100-442529
100-438794

RECOMMENDATION:

That the [attached] teletype to the Savannah Office
approving the installation of microphone coverage [as set forth]
[above] be approved and sent.

DM
7/23/68
W. C. Sullivan
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9/28/64

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URGENT

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Donohue
- 1 - Mr. Rosack

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TO SAC SAVANNAH (66-634)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI REC-40 100-442000-124

CIRM, COMINFIL OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, INTERNAL SECURITY DASH C.

JUNE. REURTEL SEPTEMBER TWENTY-SIX ONE NINE SIX FOUR.

AUTHORITY GRANTED TO EFFECT MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE
 COVERAGE AS REQUESTED PROVIDED FULL SECURITY ASSURED.
 ADVISE DATE AND TIME OF INSTALLATION, SYMBOLS UTILIZED AND
 DATE AND TIME OF DISCONTINUANCE. FURNISH BUREAU ALL
 PERTINENT INFORMATION DEVELOPED EXPEDITIOUSLY AND FOLLOW
 WITH SUBMISSION OF LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM SUITABLE FOR
 DISSEMINATION.

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NOTE:

See memorandum Baumgardner to Sullivan, same date, same caption, prepared by TPR:fnh. Teletype being utilized in view of time element involved.

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AIRGRAM CABLEGRAM RADIO TELETYPE

9:25 PM EST URGENT 9-26-64 CJD
 TO DIRECTOR
 FROM SAVANNAH 262005

Bauer

JUNE CIRM CONINFIL OF SCLC, IS - C.

REBURAD SEPTEMBER 22 LAST.

^{SOURCE}
~~WALTER A. HENKEL, MANAGER,~~ MANGER HOTEL, SAVANNAH,

EXTREMELY COOPERATIVE AND RELIABLE, ADVISED SEPTEMBER 25 LAST THAT THE HOTEL HAS ONE REQUEST FROM SCLC FOR 50 ROOMS AND A SECOND REQUEST FOR 20 ROOMS FOR BOARD MEMBERS FOR SCLC CONVENTION BUT THEY HAVE RECEIVED ONLY THE NAMES OF 15 STAFF MEMBERS TO OCCUPY THE ROOMS. ^{SOURCE} ~~HENKEL~~ HAS REQUESTED SCLC TO PROVIDE THE NAMES OF THE ADDITIONAL OCCUPANTS OR HE CANNOT HOLD THE RESERVED ROOMS, A NORMAL PRACTICE. NO RESERVATIONS RECEIVED IN NAME OF HARRY WACTEL, CARL BRADEN OR RALPH HELSTEIN.

KING WILL OCCUPY A SUITE, ROOMS 901 AND 902 AND HIS AIDE WILL OCCUPY ROOM 903. SINCE ALL OTHER ROOMS RESERVED ARE BEDROOMS IT WOULD APPEAR LOGICAL ANY CONFERENCES AT HOTEL WOULD BE HELD IN ROOM 901, A SITTING ROOM. COVERAGE CAN BE CONDUCTED FROM ROOM 1002, DIRECTLY ABOVE, ON A FLOOR CONSISTING MOSTLY OF SALESMEN'S SAMPLE ROOMS AND BEDROOMS ASSIGNED ON THIS FLOOR ONLY WHEN NECESSARY. ADEQUATE PERSONNEL WILL BE ASSIGNED TO HANDLE COVERAGE.

THE SPECIFIC INFORMATION BEING SOUGHT IS POSSIBLE COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OR INFLUENCE IN THE RACIAL MOVEMENT IN

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Rec'd advised 9:15 am
9-27-64. Coming in
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PAGE TWO FROM SAVANNAH 262005

THE UNITED STATES. IT IS BELIEVED POSSIBLE THIS INFORMATION MAY BE DEVELOPED BY MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE COVERAGE IN EVENT CONFERENCES ARE HELD IN THIS SUITE, INVOLVING BRADEN, WACTEL AND/OR HELSTEIN AND OFFICIALS OF SCLC. POSSIBILITY OF BRADEN'S PRESENCE BELIEVED TO GIVE VERY GOOD INDICATION THAT CP INFLUENCE CAN BE DETECTED. THERE IS NO OTHER KNOWN POSSIBLE COVERAGE AT THIS TIME.

RISKS OF DETECTION ARE EXTREMELY REMOTE BECAUSE OF COOPERATION OF ^{SOURCE}MANAGER, WHO IS AWARE ONLY OF PRESENCE OF AGENTS AND NOT OF MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE, AND REMOTE POSITION OF PLANT. COVERAGE CAN BE EFFECTED BY RADIO COMMUNICATION WITH NO VISIBLE CONNECTION BETWEEN TWO ROOMS.

COVERAGE WILL BE REQUIRED FOR FOUR DAYS AND THREE NIGHTS, SEPTEMBER 29 TO OCTOBER 2 INCLUSIVE.

AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED TO EFFECT MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE COVERAGE IN ROOMS 901 AND 902 ABOVE.

RECEIVED: 11:06 PM CMM

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9/22/64

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1 - Mr. Donohue
1 - Mr. Rosack

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TO SAC SAVANNAH

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (100-442529) - *9if*

JUNE. CIRM. REC. 2

REURLET SEPTEMBER EIGHTEEN LAST. BUREAU AUTHORITY GRANTED TO CONDUCT SURVEY AS REQUESTED PROVIDED FULL SECURITY IS ASSURED. ADVISE BUREAU PROMPTLY RESULTS OF SURVEY AND SUBMIT RECOMMENDATIONS. AUTHORITY ALSO GRANTED TO COVER ANY CONFERENCES IN WHICH HARRY H. WACHTEL PARTICIPATES.

TPR:KMJ
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NOTE:

The National Convention of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) is being held at Savannah, Georgia, 9/29-10/2/64. Martin Luther King, Jr., will attend and has reserved a two-room suite at the Manger Hotel. Wachtel is Executive Vice President of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, the fund-raising adjunct of the SCLC, and was reported to be an active member of the National Lawyers Guild in 1949. Such coverage is desirable in order that we may be aware of all communist influences exerted upon King and the SCLC. The SCLC is currently under investigation to determine the extent of communist infiltration, domination and control.

In the event radio contact is missed, this message should be sent via urgent encoded teletype.

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Date: 9/8/64
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Transmit the following in PLAIN
(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-153735)
SUBJECT: CIRM
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Phillips

ReNYairtel to Bureau dated 8/17/64, captioned as above and reporting installation of NY 4601-S*, on the temporary residence of MARTIN LUTHER KING, at 125 E. 72nd St., NYC.

ELSUR

In view of KING's resumption of residence in Atlanta, Georgia, 4601-S* was discontinued at 12 noon, 9/8/64.

ELSUR

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Michael

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3 Bureau
1 New York

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6 Approved: Wick 1967
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

JUNE

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (Bufile 100-442529) DATE: 9/2/64

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6520-E)

SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

Character of Case IS-C
Field Office ATLANTA
Symbol Number AT 1384-S*, AT 1385-S*, AT 1386-S*
Type of Surveillance: (Technical or Microphone) Technical

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1. Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

2. Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered: Installations made at 328 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Ga., to cover 330 Auburn Avenue, N. E.

3. Location of monitoring plant:
300 West Peachtree Street, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia
Apartment 20K

4. Dates of initial authorization and installation:
7/8/64 authorized
7/10/64 installed

5. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):
10/15/63 authorized
11/8/63 installed at 328 Auburn Avenue, N. E., to cover 330 Auburn Avenue, Atlanta, Ga.

6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:

- a. Is a trunk line utilized? Yes
- b. Is the surveillance on a switchboard? AT 1384-S* is only one of the 3 on switchboard
- c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone? No

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d: Is surveillance on a private line or a party line?

AT 1385-S* and
AT 1386-S* are private
and watts lines
respectively.

e. If a party line, how many parties?

7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each:

8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination: No

9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)

See Addendum

10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?

No

11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject:

None

12. Has security factor changed since installation?

No

13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):

None

14. Cost of Plant Premises:

a. Rental costs for plant premises: \$250 per month

b. Give total number of other surveillances monitored at same plant.

Five

- c. If any others, set out the proportionate cost of instant surveillance:

$$\$250 \times 3/8 = \$93.75 \text{ per month}$$

15. Cost of Leased Line for instant installation?

\$96.48 installation charges. \$11.40 per month for lease of the three lines.

16. Personnel Costs:

- a. Give total number of special employees and/or Special Agents working at plant and total salary costs.

3 Special Agents
\$34,629 per annum

- b. Total number of man hours per week spent at plant?

168 man hours per week

- c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:

$168 \times 3/8 = 63$ man hours per week.

- d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:

$\$34,629 \times 3/8 = \$12,986$ per annum.

17. Remarks (By SAC):

Recommend continuation of installations.

18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

(If this surveillance involves cryptanalysis, include statement that decrypted material is or is not sufficiently important to continue decrypting.)

ELSUR

AT 1384-S*, AT 1385-S* and AT 1386-S* are technical surveillances covering activities of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) at 330 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia. These are actually additional lines installed to supplement other coverage of the SCLC. Original authorization was given by the Attorney General 10/21/63 for this coverage. The SCLC and its leader, Martin Luther King, Jr., are subjects of intensified Bureau investigations since it has been determined that communists and communist sympathizers are exerting a great deal of influence over this organization.

Since these additional lines have been installed they have provided extremely valuable information regarding the SCLC and the activities of King. This information includes SCLC involvement in civil rights matters; travel plans of King; plans of the SCLC regarding training civil rights workers; complete itinerary of King's trip to Amsterdam, Holland; contacts of King with female companions; and information concerning forthcoming SCLC convention to be held at Savannah, Georgia, 9/21 - 10/2/64.

In view of the above, it is recommended that these additional lines be continued since they have furnished extremely valuable information since authorized. Justification for these additional lines will henceforth be handled in connection with other installations in operation.

mm
W.C. G.

Four pages deleted which contain totally
information obtained from ELSUR coverage of Southern
Christian Leadership Conference.

RE: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
IS-C

ADDENDUM

Item 9

1. Date Information Furnished: 7/15/64

2. Nature of Information:

ANDREW YOUNG, Executive Assistant, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, contacted a representative of NAACP regarding the filing of a suit against a restaurant in St. Augustine, Fla., during recent racial unrest in that city. The NAACP representative advised YOUNG that the Justice Department sent a Civil Rights lawyer and some FBI Agents to ST. Augustine to find out who was behind threats and intimidation.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Enable the field to keep abreast of racial activity in a tense area.

A letterhead memorandum was submitted to Bureau and interested offices by airtel dated 7/16/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 7/17/64

2. Nature of Information:

MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., contacted his "hideout" and told FRED BENNETT, a Field Secretary at SCLC, that he was bringing DOROTHY COTTON (a girlfriend and officer in SCLC) out to the hideout in a few minutes.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Counterintelligence action aided.

1. Date Information Furnished: 7/17/64

2. Nature of Information:

Miss SHUBERT (phonetic) of Los Angeles, Calif., telephone number 939-7051, contacted KING and berated him for not seeing her or calling her when he was in Los Angeles, Calif., recently. KING gave the excuse that he was in a conference and could not talk to her but indicated he would contact her in the near future.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Counterintelligence action aided.

Airtel with leads set out for Los Angeles dated 7/21/64. Los Angeles subsequently identified this individual.

1. Date Information Furnished: 7/17/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING's itinerary and plans for action during his recent tour through Mississippi in July, 1964.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Enable field to keep abreast of racial activity.

Letterhead memorandum submitted to Bureau and interested offices by airtel dated 7/21/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 7/29/64

2. Nature of Information:

JAMES BEVEL, Field Secretary of SCLC, contacted a Civil Rights worker in Anniston, Ala., and instructed to have people sent to Atlanta, Ga., for some "testing training" to be held from 8/2-6/64.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Enables field to keep abreast of racial plans and activities.

Airtel submitted to Birmingham 7/31/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 7/31/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING's secretary contacted Henderson Travel Service, Atlanta, Ga., regarding KING's and ANDREW YOUNG's trip to Amsterdam, Holland. Details of itinerary were furnished.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Maintains up-to-date activities of KING.

Letterhead memorandum submitted by airtel dated 8/4/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 8/3/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING advised ANDREW YOUNG that Judge SIMPSON of Florida was preparing to render a decision which would be strongly against the Klan and would call for opening of all stores to both races. KING said he believed it would be better to go to St. Augustine 8/5/64 instead of 8/3/64, because by that time the Grand Jury session would be over.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Enable field to maintain up-to-date information regarding racial activities.

Letterhead memorandum submitted by airtel dated 8/4/64.

1. Date Information Furnished: 8/18/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING told DOROTHY COTTON that he had contacted FRED BENNETT and everything was okay for the night of 8/19/64. KING said he would call her when he arrived in Atlanta and DOROTHY was agreeable.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Information is of counterintelligence value.

1. Date Information Furnished: 8/18/64

2. Nature of Information:

RANDOLPH BLACKWELL (Program Coordinator of SCLC) asked ANDREW YOUNG if JOHN GIBSON (Assistant to the Program Coordinator, SCLC) had gone to Columbus, Ga. BLACKWELL indicated that GIBSON had gone and that GIBSON believed he

could conduct a successful voter registration drive in that city. YOUNG said that BLACKWELL should see WILEY BRANTON regarding obtaining funds for such a drive.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Enable field to keep abreast of racial activity.

1. Date Information Furnished: 8/19/64

2. Nature of Information:

CHAUNCEY ESKRIDGE (Chicago attorney for SCLC) advised RANDOLPH BLACKWELL that he should contact CORDY T. VIVIAN and advise him that ESKRIDGE would appear on the panel at Savannah, Ga., but that VIVIAN should let him know on what subjects he is to speak. This was in connection with the forthcoming annual SCLC convention to be held at Savannah 9/29 to 10/2/64.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Enable the field to keep abreast of SCLC activity.

August 31, 1964

1 - Mr. Trainor
1 - Mr. Forsyth
1 - Mr. Phillips

Airtel

To: SAC, Newark

From: Director, FBI (100-106670)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

Reurtel 8/23/64 concerning information obtained from highly sensitive sources.

Insure that detailed information obtained from the indicated sources is furnished to the Bureau, as well as appropriate offices, and such that may be disseminated is included in a communication suitable for dissemination. This should be done notwithstanding the fact that daily summaries of such information were furnished to Assistant Director DeLoach.

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- Belmont _____
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- Holmes _____
- Gandy _____

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Callahan	_____
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AIRGRAM CABLEGRAM RADIO TELETYPE

6:20 PM EST URGENT 8-28-64 MAB
 TO DIRECTOR
 FROM NEWARK 282150

JUNE.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, SM - C.

RE ATLANTA RADIOGRAM TODAY.

KING DEPARTED ATLANTIC CITY AUGUST 27 LAST EN ROUTE
 NYC VIA COMMERCIAL AIRLINE. INK 2458-S* AND INK 2459-S*
 DISCONTINUED SAME DATE. ALL EQUIPMENT REMOVED. DAILY
 SUMMARY OF INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM SOURCES FURNISHED
 TO ASSISTANT DIRECTOR DE LOACH. INFORMATION RECEIVED
 BEING REVIEWED IN DETAIL AND WILL BE DISSEMINATED TO
 APPROPRIATE OFFICES.

MAIL COPY SENT ATLANTA.

RECEIVED: 6:32 PM JRF

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

ROUTE 1 ENVELOPE

1 - Mr. Donohue
1 - Mr. Rosack

August 27, 1964

Airtel

To: SAC, Atlanta (100-6520-E)

From: Director, FBI (100-3-116)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
INTERNAL SECURITY
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

ReBulet 7/8/64 and Atlanta airtel 7/11/64.

Atlanta should furnish the Bureau by return mail the 30-day justification for AT 1384-S*, AT 1385-S* and AT 1386-S*. After this justification has been submitted, Atlanta should include the above three sources in its justification regarding AT 1380-S* through AT 1383-S* which is due to reach the Bureau on or before 10/3/64.

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ELSUR 3

NOTE:

All of the above sources are technical surveillances on the facilities of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. AT 1384-S*, AT 1385-S* and AT 1386-S* were additional lines authorized by referenced Bureau letter.

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FBI

Date: 8/25/64

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)

JUNE

SUBJECT: CIRM

Re Bureau letter to New York, 8/7/64.

Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) presently occupies Suite 1301, 200 West 57th Street, New York City, telephone number CI 7-3136.

It is to be noted that NY 4550-S* was installed on 7/13/64, and was discontinued on 7/31/64. This source was unable to furnish any pertinent information concerning the SCLC at 15 East 40th Street, New York City. It is also to be noted that NY 4179-S* was installed on 10/24/63, and was discontinued on 1/24/64, and this source was unable to furnish any pertinent information concerning SCLC at 312 West 125th Street, New York City.

In view of the foregoing information, it is felt that it would not be productive at this time to retain NY 4550-S* at the new location of New York office of SCLC, 200 West 57th Street, New York City. However, the NYO will be alert for information from NY 4092-S* and NY 4099-S* sources close to CLARENCE JONES, which might indicate an increase of activity at the SCLC New York office, and if such information is received, NYO will give consideration to submitting a recommendation regarding a survey at the new location. NYO will also be alert for information emanating from the Atlanta Office indicating an increase in activity at SCLC, New York office.

- 3 - Bureau (100-3-116) (RM) REC-47
- 1 - New York (100-151548) (RM)

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AUG 26 1964

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5. SEP 1 1964

Memorandum

Belmont	✓
Mohr	✓
Casper	✓
Callahan	✓
Conrad	✓
DeLoach	✓
Evans	✓
Gale	✓
Rosen	✓
Sullivan	✓
Tavel	✓
Trotter	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Holmes	✓
Gandy	✓

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WCS*

JUNE

DATE: August 24, 1964

FROM : Mr. J. A. Sizoo

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING
SECURITY MATTER - C

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 Baumgardner
 S. J. [unclear]

I received a telephone call Friday, 8/21/64, from SAC Bachman concerning technical coverage on King in Atlantic City. You had previously instructed that he explore the possibilities of putting technical and microphone coverage on him there.

Bachman advised that he had made a preliminary security check and that suitable reliable contacts were available at the hotel which would make possible a microphone installation, though it might be necessary to take the hotel manager into confidence to the extent of identifying King as the individual in whom they were interested. Bachman advised that as to the technical installation, a preliminary check revealed this could be done. He noted that a suite of 3 rooms had been set aside at the Claridge for the use of King and others traveling with him.

ACTION:

** Confidential source*

I told Bachman to go ahead with the microphone installation if this could be done with the understanding that no one other than the manager would have knowledge of our interest in King, and that neither the manager nor anyone else would have knowledge of the nature of the coverage. I further pointed out that it would be necessary that Newark be in a position to assure full security from a technical point of view.

I also authorized Bachman to go ahead on the telephone installation provided this could be done with full security. It should be noted in this connection we already have authority from the Attorney General to cover any residence which King may use with a technical telephone installation.

- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Sizoo
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Eland
- 1 - Mr. Donohue

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

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1 - Mr. Branigan
1 - Mr. Bland

TO : W. A. Branigan *WAB/for*

DATE: August 23, 1964

FROM : E. T. Turner *ETT/ic*

1 - Mr. Baumgardner
1 - Mr. Turner

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

JUNE
BAUMGARDNER
Bland

At 6 p.m. 8-22-64 Special Agent Bernie Connell called from Newark to advise that subject was testifying before the Credentials Committee and Agents would keep abreast of his whereabouts and activities. Connell stated Agents were able to get tech coverage of two phones but had to get out before they could get mike coverage.

At 7:50 p.m. Special Agent Ralph Light called from Newark to advise King had left the Committee Room at 6:15, had been interviewed by the press and then checked into Room 1923 Claridge Hotel at 7:35 p.m. One Bernard Lee who was with him (age 25 or 26) checked into Room 1902. Both these rooms are covered by techs. Rev. Abernathy has been assigned to Room 1901 (not covered) but has not shown up yet.

ACTION:

None. For information.

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FBI

Date: 8/17/64

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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)
SUBJECT: CIRM

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Re NY teletype dated 8/12/64, requesting lease line letter on temporary residence of MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., at 125 East 72nd St., NYC.

ELSYR

On 8/14/64, at 1:00 p.m., NY 4601-S* installed on residence of LOUIS SMADBECK, 125 East 72nd St., NYC. The source will be monitored at Sutech, NY.

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3-Bureau (100-3-116) (RM)
1-New York (100-151548) (42)

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____

Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
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Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Evans	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
<i>W</i> Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

SENT BY CODED TELETYPE

FBI NEW YORK

1112 AM URGENT 8-12-64 JAM

TO DIRECTOR /2/ 100-3-116

FROM NEW YORK 100-151548 1P

JUNE

CIRM

S. Phillips
DoDoherty
JR
F. H. ...

REFERENCE BUREAU TEL DATED AUGUST ELEVEN, SIXTYFOUR, REQUESTING
 LEASED LINE INFORMATION ON TEMPORARY RESIDENCE OF MARTIN LUTHER
KING, JR., AT ONE TWO FIVE EAST SEVENTY SECOND STREET, NEW YORK
 CITY. LEASED LINE LETTER REQUESTED TO SHOW FROM BASEMENT MDF
ONE TWO FIVE EAST SEVENTY SECOND STREET, NEW YORK CITY TO TWO
ZERO ONE EAST SIXTY NINTH STREET, NEW YORK CITY. FULL SECURITY
 ASSURED.

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WA LLD

FBI WASH DC

cc: 808113
AD Malone, NY
8-12-64
(via ...)
8-12-64

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ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

8/11/64

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URGENT

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Callahan
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Bland
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Donohue
- 1 - Mr. Phillips

TO SAC NEW YORK

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (100-3-116)

JUNE. CIRM.

REURTEL AUGUST SEVEN LAST: PROVIDING FULL SECURITY ASSURED, AUTHORITY GRANTED TO INSTALL TESUR ON MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., ON HIS TEMPORARY RESIDENCE, THAT OF MR. AND MRS. LOUIS SMADBECK, APARTMENT TWO B, ONE TWO FIVE EAST SEVEN TWO STREET, NYC.

ADVISE DATE AND TIME OF INSTALLATION AND SYMBOL NUMBER ASSIGNED. SULET JUSTIFICATION THIRTY DAYS AFTER INSTALLATION IN EVENT KING CONTINUES TEMPORARY RESIDENCE AT ABOVE ADDRESS. FURNISH BUREAU LEASED LINE INFORMATION.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

AUG 11 1964

TELETYPE

SFP:KML
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NOTE:

King, his wife and children intend to stay in the Smadbeck apartment most of remainder of August, 1964. Bufiles and those of NYO negative re Smadbecks. New York has advised that installation of tesur is feasible and full security is assured. In October, 1963, we received the Attorney General's authority to place a tesur on King at his Atlanta, Georgia, residence or at any future address to which he may move. We previously extended such coverage to temporary residences of King and it is believed most desirable to do so in this instance in view of his association with communists and the very vital matters he is presently concerning himself with, such as the forthcoming Democratic National Convention; the Mississippi situation; the matter of racial disorders

NOTE CONTINUED PAGE TWO

1 - 100-106670 (Martin Luther King, Jr.) (JUNE)

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- Tolson
- Belmont
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- Casper
- Callahan
- Conrad
- DeLoach
- Evans
- Gale
- Rosen
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- Tavel
- Trotter
- Tele. Room
- Holmes
- Gandy

✓ TELETYPE TO NEW YORK
RE: CIRM
100-3-116

NOTE CONTINUED:

and demonstrations in New York City; and, also, King intends to go abroad for a few days this month. We have been able to keep the White House and others very currently informed concerning King and these important matters. The recommended extension of coverage will enable us to continue to do so. Teletype being used due to urgency.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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10-43 AM URGENT 8-11-64 MTC

TO NEW YORK -5-

FROM DIRECTOR 100-3-116-11-P

JUNE. CIRM.

REURTEL AUGUST SEVEN LAST. PROVIDING FULL SECURITY ASSURED,
AUTHORITY GRANTED TO INSTALL TESUR ON MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., ON
HIS TEMPORARY RESIDENCE, THAT OF MR. AND MRS. LOUIS SMADBECK,
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BUREAU LEASED LINE INFORMATION.

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FBI NEW YORK

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FBI NEW YORK

10-35 PM URGENT 8-7-64 DAE

TO DIRECTOR -18- 100-3-116-ENCODED

FROM NEW YORK 100-151548

JUNE.....

CIRM

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REUBTEL CALL, EIGHT SEVEN SIXTY FOUR AUTHORIZING SURVEY FOR
TESUR INSTALLATION TELEPHONE NUMBER RH FOUR FOUR NINE SEVEN FOUR,
LISTED TO MRS. LOUIS /JUSTINE/ SMADBECK, ONE TWO FIVE EAST SEVENTY
TWO STREET, NYC, RESIDENCE OF MARTIN L. KING AND FAMILY DURING AUGUST
SIXTY FOUR.

MRS. SMADBECK AND HUSBAND LOUIS RESIDE APT TWO B, ONE TWO FIVE
EAST SEVENTY TWO STREET, NYC. MRS. SMADBECK IS PRESIDENT OF
WILLIAM WHITE AND SONS, REALTORS, FIVE ONE EAST FORTY TWO STREET, NYC.
THIS FIRM IS ONE OF NYC LARGEST REAL ESTATE FIRMS.

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[Signature]

THERE ARE NO REFERENCES TO THE SMADBECKS IN INDICES.
SURVEY FOR TESUR CONDUCTED. INSTALLATION FEASIBLE, FULL SECURITY
ASSURED. REQUEST AUTHORITY TO INSTALL. LEASE LINE LETTER INFO
FOLLOWS...

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SAC, New York (100-151548)

8/7/64

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Director, FBI (100-3-116)

1 - Mr. Rosack

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COMMUNIST PARTY USA
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE
IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

JUNE

ELSURS

Reurairtel 8/1/64 advising NY 4550-S* had been discontinued.

New York should review and re-evaluate information furnished from this source and in the event information furnished continues to justify the retention of this source, suitable recommendations should be submitted regarding the advisability of a survey to determine whether the source should be moved to cover the new location of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). You should, of course, withhold your recommendations until the new headquarters of the SCLC are settled.

NOTE:

NY 4550-S* is a technical surveillance which covered the activities of SCLC at its headquarters at 15 East 40th Street, New York. This source was installed 7/13/64 and discontinued 7/31/64, since the headquarters was moved to a new location. SCLC is currently under investigation to determine the extent of communist influence, domination, and control. Considerable influence is exerted upon Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., head of SCLC, by the Communist Party through Clarence Jones.

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FBI

Date: 8/1/64

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Via AIRTEL _____

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI-(100-3-116)

CI RM

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)

SUBJECT: CPUSA NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
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(OO: NY)

JUNE

ReNYairtel to Bureau, 7/13/64.

~~NY 4550-S*~~ tesur Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), 15 East 40th Street, NYC, Room 1202, LE 2-0277, which was installed on 7/13/64, has been discontinued as of 7/31/64, 5:00 p.m. SCLC office moving to new location.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)

DATE: 7/15/64

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FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-24345B) *June* PERSONAL ATTENTION: INSPECTOR JOSEPH SIZOO, DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

SUBJECT: CP, USA
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
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There are being transmitted under separate cover, five (5) reels of tape numbered 1 through 5 which were obtained through coverage of Rooms 123 and 122, Hyatt House Hotel, 5547 West Century Boulevard, Los Angeles, on July 7-9, 1964.

The source is CSLA 4523-S* *EL SUR*

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SAC, Atlanta (100-6828-E)

July 13, 1964

Director, FBI (100-3-116)

1 - Mr. Donohue
1 - Mr. Phillips

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Re your SD-143 7/8/64.

Seven pages of the submission were devoted to answering Item Number 9 concerning specific examples of valuable information obtained. In the future keep your reply to Item Number 9 as succinct as possible and confined to relating only the more important matters.

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)

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SUBJECT: CPUSA-NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN
RACIAL MATTERS
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(SCLC), 15 East 40th Street, New York City, Room 1202,
LE 2-0277, installed 1:15 PM, 7/13/64. Symbol number
NY 4550-S7 assigned.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-115) (JUNE)
PERSONAL ATTENTION ASSISTANT
DIRECTOR W. C. SULLIVAN,
DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION.

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6520-E)

RE: CP, USA
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
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Re Bulet dated 7/8/64.

Three Tesurs authorized by referenced letter installed

7/10/64.

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AT 1384-S* assigned telephone # 522-1424, a rotary number in the 756A switchboard located office space of SCLC at 330 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Ga. Leased line obtained from 328 Auburn Avenue, N.E., to 300 West Peachtree Street, N.W. ELSUR

AT 1385-S* assigned to unlisted telephone number 522-2494 located in office of Dr. KING at SCLC Headquarters, 330 Auburn Avenue, Atlanta. Leased line obtained from 328 Auburn Avenue, N.E., to 300 West Peachtree Street, N.W. ELSUR

AT 1386-S* assigned to interstate WATS line #186-2933, which is located in the offices of SCLC at 330 Auburn Avenue. Leased line obtained from 328 Auburn Avenue to 300 West Peachtree Street, N.E. ELSUR

For the information of the Bureau when new switchboard installed telephone numbers servicing the office facilities of SCLC changed and AT 1380-S* described in Atlanta letter 11/27/63 now covers telephone number 522-1420.

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a listed number for SCLC at 330 Auburn Avenue. Leased line, as previously stated, obtained from 328 Auburn Avenue to 300 West Peachtree. AT 1381-S* is assigned to telephone number 522-1421, rather than 524-1379 as previously stated. AT 1382-S* is assigned to telephone number 522-1422 rather than 524-1370 as previously stated. AT 1383-S* is assigned to number 522-1423 rather than to 524-3151 which was carried as a non-listed number. It is noted that AT 1380-S*, AT 1381-S*, AT 1382-S*, AT 1383-S* (installed 11/8/64) and AT 1384-S* (installed 7/10/64) all are in rotary servicing switchboard.

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SAC, Atlanta (100-6520)

July 8, 1964

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Director, FBI (100-3-116) -1787

J U N E

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
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- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Donohue
- 1 - Mr. Phillips
- 1 - Mr. Rosack

Reurlet 6/30/64.

Authority granted to install 3 additional technical surveillances on the facilities of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 350 Auburn Avenue, NE, Atlanta, Georgia. You should advise the date and time these additional surveillances are installed and symbol numbers assigned. Justification for the continued utilization of these additional sources should be submitted within 30 days of the date of installation.

You will be advised by separate communication concerning the utilization of SA Kusch to handle the installation of these surveillances. The additional equipment requested in connection with these surveillances is also being handled by separate communication.

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NOTE:

See memorandum Baumgardner to W. C. Sullivan, dated July 7, 1964, same caption, TPR:chs.

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WCS 7/14*

DATE: July 7, 1964

J U N E

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. Callahan
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Millen
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
 NEGRO QUESTION
 COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
 INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
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By letter dated 6/30/64 the Atlanta Office requested authority to install 3 additional technical surveillances (tesurs) on the facilities of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), 330 Auburn Avenue, NE, Atlanta, Georgia, for the purpose of providing additional coverage of the SCLC and its leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. If approved, Atlanta desires to utilize SA William F. Kusch of the Miami Office to install these surveillances. Atlanta also requested 2 recorders for use in conjunction with these installations.

On 10/21/63 the Attorney General approved installation of tesurs on the SCLC at its current address or at any future address to which it may move. There are currently 4 tesurs in operation on the SCLC which were installed 11/8/63. With the addition of the 3 additional surveillances there would be in operation a total of 7 tesurs. The 3 additional surveillances are desirable to provide coverage of additional telephone service recently secured by the SCLC.

The SCLC and Martin Luther King, Jr., are subjects of intensified Bureau investigations inasmuch as it has been determined that communists and communist sympathizers exert a great deal of influence over this organization. The 4 surveillances already in operation have provided extremely valuable information regarding the activities of the SCLC and King, much of which is not available through any other source. The surveillances have been most valuable in uncovering the extensive communist infiltration and domination of both King and the SCLC.

Atlanta desires to utilize SA Kusch to install these additional surveillances, if approved, since the Agent trained for this purpose in the Atlanta Office is known to King as well as other employees of the SCLC and full security can be assured only through having an Agent unknown in the Atlanta area handle the installation. SA Kusch has handled matters of this type in the past.

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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
100-3-116

Atlanta anticipates that the services of an additional investigative clerk will be required during normal office hours of the SCLC to insure full coverage in the event the additional tesurs are authorized.

OBSERVATIONS:

Since the Attorney General has already authorized technical coverage of the SCLC and King, additional authority is not necessary since this is merely an extension of current coverage brought about by additional telephone service within the SCLC.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the attached letter to the Atlanta Office be approved advising that additional coverage requested is authorized and that the Atlanta Office will be advised by separate communication concerning the utilization of SA Kusch to handle the installation and the additional equipment requested from the Laboratory.

2. That this memorandum be referred to the Administrative Division for a determination as to whether SA Kusch is available and to the Laboratory in order that the equipment requested may be furnished to the Atlanta Office. It is suggested that the Administrative Division coordinate its findings regarding the availability of SA Kusch with the Laboratory in supplying additional equipment requested.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

JUNE

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (Bufile 100-3-116) DATE: 7/8/64

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FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6520-E)

SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

Communist Party, USA, Negro Question
RE: Title Communist Influence in Racial Matters

Character of Case IS-C
Field Office Atlanta
Symbol Number AT 1379-S* *ELSHIR*
Type of Surveillance: (Technical or
Microphone) Technical
copy in file

1. Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. *e*
2. Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:
563 Johnson Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Ga., covered by installation made at Houston and Boulevard, N.E.
3. Location of monitoring plant:
300 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Ga.
Apartment 20K
4. Dates of initial authorization and installation:
10/15/63
11/8/63
5. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):
None

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6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:
 - a. Is a trunk line utilized? Yes
 - b. Is the surveillance on a switchboard? No
 - c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone? No

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d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line? Private

e. If a party line, how many parties? -

7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each: -

8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination:

No

9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)

See Addendum

10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?

No

11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject:

None

12. Has security factor changed since installation?

No

13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):

None

14. Cost of Plant Premises:

a. Rental costs for plant premises: \$250 per month

b. Give total number of other surveillances monitored at same plant.

Four

- c. If any others, set out the proportionate cost of instant surveillance:
\$50 per month

15. Cost of Leased Line for instant installation?

\$20 installation

\$3.80 monthly lease

16. Personnel Costs:

- a. Give total number of special employees and/or Special Agents working at plant and total salary costs.

Three Special Agents

Total salaries per week \$645.

- b. Total number of man hours per week spent at plant?

168 man hours

- c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:

33.6 man hours

- d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:

Total salaries per week for instant surveillance -
\$129.

17. Remarks (By SAC):

Recommend surveillance be continued.

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page 2, all of which contain only information obtained
from ELSURS on King.

ADDENDUM:

Item 9

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/3/64

2. Nature of Information:

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., was working on his income tax returns and questioned his wife about a \$500 check which had been received from STANLEY LEVISON. KING's wife told him that LEVISON had given it to him to hire a night-watchman for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference office.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows Communist influence over KING. Letterhead Memorandum submitted.

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/28/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING requested RALPH ABERNATHY (Treasurer of SCLC) to contact HARRY WACHTEL about \$2500 which SCLC was expecting from the Gandhi Society of New York City.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows financial interests being influenced by individual with Communist background. New York Office notified and Letterhead Memorandum prepared.

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/28/64

2. Nature of Information:

St. Augustine, Florida, racial situation. KING asked ANDREW YOUNG, his Program Director, how many persons were available to go to jail and YOUNG advised there were 200 or 300 students who would be available.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Racial demonstration plans of SCLC. Information was furnished to the Bureau and Jacksonville in a Letterhead Memorandum.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/28/64

2. Nature of Information:

ABERNATHY advised KING that SCLC may have difficulty making the payroll without getting a loan. ABERNATHY advised KING the amount of bills owed by SCLC. KING requested ABERNATHY to contact HARRY WACHTEL to get \$2500 from the Gandhi Society of New York City. ABERNATHY furnished KING information on the amount of money collected by SCLC at some of their Western rallies, including California and Las Vegas.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows financial condition of SCLC. Letterhead Memorandum furnished to Bureau and interested offices.

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/30/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING continues as President of Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Atlanta, Ga., and resides at 563 Johnson Avenue, N.E., Atlanta. He continues to serve as co-pastor of a Baptist Church with his father.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Confirms background data on subject of security case.

1. Date Information Furnished: 5/9/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING's wife told him that a Dr. DeWOLFE was their house guest. She said DeWOLFE was KING's professor at Boston University.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Lead was set out to Boston to identify DeWOLFE. This was subsequently done and it was determined DeWOLFE has a security background.

1. Date Information Furnished: 5/12/64.

2. Nature of Information: Plans made by KING and MANSFIELD COLLINS, a Los Angeles minister with Western Christian Leadership Conference about KING's proposed Western trip to raise funds during the last week of May, 1964.

ADDENDUM:

3. Value and Action Taken:

Racial situation information and financial success and failures of SCLC, as well as advance warning of KING's trip to the West Coast. Letterhead Memorandum submitted.

1. Date Information Furnished: 5/12/64

2. Nature of Information:

WACHTEL thanked KING's wife for the birthday present that she and KING had sent to him. WACHTEL invited the KINGS to spend some time this summer at his place on Fire Island.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows closeness of KING to WACHTEL who has security background. Bureau and New York were advised by airtel.

1. Date Information Furnished: 5/31/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING and his wife had an argument and information was brought out concerning KING's extra-marital activities.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Added background regarding KING's character. Bureau and New York were advised by airtel.

1. Date Information Furnished: 6/10/64

2. Nature of Information:

St. Augustine, Florida, racial situation. KING said: if they could keep a steady stream going to jail they would be able to break St. Augustine soon. KING emphasized since the Federal Government had not done anything they would have to be put in jail the next day in order to make this drive successful.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Racial tactics of KING and SCLC. Letterhead Memorandum was furnished to the Bureau and interested offices.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 6/16/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING informed JOHN BARBER of West Haven, Connecticut, that BARBER had been highly recommended to KING to assist him as a "ghost writer" as well as a political analyst.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows KING's dependence upon other persons to do his writing. Lead was set out for New York to identify BARBER and Letterhead Memorandum prepared.

1. Date Information Furnished: 6/20/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING said HAROLD DeWOLFE of Boston University, along with two other individuals, would be in St. Augustine, Florida, soon. Boston has identified DeWOLFE as having security background.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Nature of certain influences on the St. Augustine, Florida, racial situation. Letterhead Memorandum was furnished to the Bureau and interested Offices.

1. Date Information Furnished: 6/23/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING was in contact with an unknown female at Los Angeles Area Code 213, telephone number 681-3088. KING and the unknown female made arrangements to meet on the 8th of July, 1964.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Lead set forth for Los Angeles to identify apparent girl friend of KING. Los Angeles determined that girl friend was probably DELORES EVANS who KING has met before.

1. Date Information Furnished: 6/27/64

2. Nature of Information:

BURKE MARSHALL, Department of Justice, discussed the St. Augustine racial situation with KING including the formation of a bi-racial committee in that city.

ADDENDUM:

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows valuable information regarding racial situation. Letterhead Memorandum submitted.

18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

(If this surveillance involves cryptanalysis, include statement that decrypted material is or is not sufficiently important to continue decrypting.)

ADDENDUM: DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION WTF:all JULY 14, 1964

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AT 1379-S* is a technical surveillance in the residence of Martin Luther King, Jr., at 563 Johnson Avenue, N.E. Atlanta, Georgia. King is the head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). This installation was authorized 10/15/63 and installed on 11/8/63.

This source has provided extremely valuable information on a day-to-day basis regarding the subject's association with present and former Communist Party members. This source has shown the influence exerted by King on these individuals. This source has shown the continued relationship of the subject with Stanley Levison, a concealed member of the Communist Party. This source has shown that King continues to depend upon the advice and guidance of Levison.

This source during April, 1964, produced information that King had received a \$500 check from Stanley Levison. In April this source furnished information relative to contact of the subject with Harry Wachtel, a security subject in the New York Office. This source has enabled the Bureau to keep close contact with the movements of King throughout the country and has furnished valuable information in regard to racial activities.

This source has provided a great deal of information regarding King's extra marital activities and his dates with numerous women throughout the country. This source is extremely valuable in fully implementing our coverage of King, the SCLC and other racial activities. The Domestic Intelligence Division concurs with the recommendation of the SAC, Atlanta, that this source be continued for an additional three-month period.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

JUNE

TO : DIRECTOR (Bufile 100-3-116) DATE: 7/8/64

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6520-E)

SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Communist Party, USA, Negro Question
Title Communist Influence in Racial Matters

Character of Case IS-C

Field Office Atlanta

Symbol Number AT 1380-S*, AT 1381-S*

Type of Surveillance: (Technical or Microphone) Technical

AT 1382-S* and
AT 1383-S*

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1. Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:
Southern Christian Leadership Conference

2. Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:

Installation made at 328 Auburn Avenue, N.E., to cover 330 Auburn Avenue, N.E.

3. Location of monitoring plant:

300 West Peachtree Street, N.E.
Apartment 20K

4. Dates of initial authorization and installation:

10/15/63
11/8/63

5. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):

None

6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:

- a. Is a trunk line utilized? Yes
- b. Is the surveillance on a switchboard? Yes
- c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone? NO

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100-6520-1B

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d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line? Private

e. If a party line, how many parties? -

7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each:

8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination: No

9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)

See Addendum

10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?

No

11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject:

None

12. Has security factor changed since installation?

No

13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):

None

14. Cost of Plant Premises:

a. Rental costs for plant premises: \$250 per month

b. Give total number of other surveillances monitored at same plant.

One

- c. If any others, set out the proportionate cost of instant surveillance:

\$200 per month

15. Cost of Leased Line for instant installation?

\$80 Installation

\$15.20 monthly lease

16. Personnel Costs:

- a. Give total number of special employees and/or Special Agents working at plant and total salary costs.

3 Agents

Total salaries \$645

John W. S.

- b. Total number of man hours per week spent at plant?

168 man hours

- c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:

134.4 man hours

- d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:

Total salaries per week for instant surveillance -
\$516.

17. Remarks (By SAC):

Recommend surveillance be continued.

18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

This is a single technical surveillance (four symbol numbers as four lines are involved: AT 1380-S*, AT 1381-S*, AT 1382-S* and AT 1383-S*) on the office of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), 330 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia. Authorized 10/15/63; installed 11/8/63. FLS URS

During the past three months this surveillance has continued to supply a large volume of extremely valuable information concerning the SCLC and its leader, Martin Luther King, Jr., who are the subjects of intensified Bureau investigation because of communist influences bearing upon the organization and King. Examples: On 3/22/64, 6/1 and 26/64 information received concerning travel plans of King and other SCLC people. On 3/30/64 and 4/21/64 vital information obtained concerning association between King and Stanley David Levison, an extremely close communist advisor. On 4/14, 15, 23/64 and 6/1/64 information obtained concerning financial operations of the SCLC. On 4/7/64 advance information obtained concerning King's presence at a Chicago civil rights rally in June, 1964. On 4/24/64 information obtained concerning a conversation between King and his secretary regarding King's public attack on the Director. On 5/13, 22/64 and 6/6, 10/64 information obtained concerning activities and plans of the SCLC in connection with the St. Augustine, Florida, racial situation. On 6/25/64 we learned that an SCLC officer was attempting to have a woman allegedly employed by President Johnson intercede with the President to have the Director make a public statement that the SCLC and King are not influenced by communists.

The continuing heavy flow of extremely valuable intelligence from this source indicates the desirability of continuing this source for an additional three-month period. This is recommended.

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page 2, all of which contain only information obtained
from ELSURS on King.

ADDENDUM:

Item 9

1. Date Information Furnished: 3/22/64

2. Nature of Information:

Plans for MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President of Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and RALPH ABERNATHY, Treasurer of SCLC, to make a fund raising trip to the West Coast in April, 1964. Detailed itinerary for this trip was obtained.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Counterintelligence action aided. Airtel submitted to the Bureau and interested offices.

1. Date Information Furnished: 3/30/64

2. Nature of Information:

RUTH BAILEY of the New York SCLC Office, after receiving a letter terminating her employment made an attack on the leadership of SCLC stating that STANLEY LEVISON was running MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., although KING had been warned to stay away from LEVISON.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Discloses knowledge within SCLC of KING's Communist Connections. Phoney letter was written to RUTH BAILEY from Atlanta in an effort to capitalize on this situation.

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/2/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING's Secretary said it was KING's belief that it would be all right to sign a petition to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee. The secretary said KING believes that this committee is merely a harassing agency.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows KING's stand on a political matter. Letterhead Memorandum was submitted.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/7/64

2. Nature of Information:

A representative of the Chicago Urban League told KING's secretary that a group of agencies in Chicago concerned with Civil Rights were planning a rally in Chicago for 75,000 to 100,000 people during the latter part of May and early June, 1964.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Advance notice on racial situation. Letterhead Memorandum submitted to the Bureau and Chicago.

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/14/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING advised WYATT WALKER that due to a shortage of funds at SCLC, WALKER should call CLARENCE JONES and ask for the \$2500 the Gandhi Society had promised them.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows information on financial condition of SCLC and influence of finances by CLARENCE JONES who has a security background. Letterhead Memorandum furnished to New York and the Bureau.

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/15/64

2. Nature of Information:

ED CLAYTON, Public Relations Director of SCLC, advised his wife that SCLC had a \$200,000 reserve fund but they did not want to mention this because it was their "ace in the hole".

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows financial information. Letterhead memorandum submitted and leads set out for New York to attempt to confirm reserve fund.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/24/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING and his secretary had a discussion regarding Director HOOVER's publicized statement that some Communist infiltration existed in the Civil Rights Movement. KING said "I meant to hit him hard - he made me mad - and I wanted to get him." This was KING's explanation to his secretary for KING's public attack on the Director.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Airtel submitted to the Bureau and New York.

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/28/64

2. Nature of Information:

ABERNATHY contacted HARRY WACHTEL regarding the \$2500 owed to SCLC by the Gandhi Society. ABERNATHY explained that SCLC needed the money for its payroll. WACHTEL said that the Gandhi Society did not have the money except money that was committed for future bail bond purposes.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows financial difficulties of SCLC and also shows influences of WACHTEL, who has a Security background.

1. Date Information Furnished: 5/8/64

2. Nature of Information:

CLAYTON discussed KING's scheduled appearance before "Face the Nation" for 5/10/64. CLAYTON discussed this with an official of the CBS Network, Washington, D. C., in an effort to set the correct tenure of the television interview of KING. CLAYTON told the CBS official not to bring up any specifics, such as HUNTER PITTS O'DELL, who was formerly employed by SCLC.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Advance and inside information on a television program appearance of KING. Teletype and Letterhead Memorandum submitted to the Bureau and interested offices.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 5/13/64

2. Nature of Information:

WACHTEL and KING discussed SCLC matters and the hiring of an assistant to research and write KING's material. They arranged a meeting with BAYARD RUSTIN and LARRY (LNU) and CLARENCE JONES at New York City for 5/23/64.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows operation of SCLC and influences on KING by persons with security backgrounds. Letterhead Memorandum prepared, lead set out for New York. LARRY was subsequently identified to be LARRY REDDICK of Baltimore, Maryland, who also has security background.

1. Date Information Furnished: 5/13/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING contacted WACHTEL regarding St. Augustine, Florida, racial situation. They also discussed KING's statement regarding civil rights debate in the U. S. Senate.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows WACHTEL's influence on some of KING's activities. Letterhead Memorandum submitted.

1. Date Information Furnished: 4/21/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING's reaction to JOSEPH ALSOP's derogatory article about him. Information shows behind the scenes comments between KING, CLARENCE JONES and LEVISON. It disclosed JONES' and LEVISON's plans for having BURKE MARSHALL, Department of Justice, contacted regarding this matter because it was believed apparently that the Department had leaked the information to ALSOP.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows continued Communist influence on KING and gives advanced notice of an SCLC representative to contact the Department of Justice on this matter. -A teletype and Letterhead Memorandum were submitted.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 5/22/64

2. Nature of Information:

WYATT WALKER, Executive Director of SCLC, advised HARRY WACHTEL that he knew WACHTEL was aware SCLC had been at St. Augustine, Florida. WALKER advised WACHTEL that ANDREW YOUNG, Program Director, was the contact man at St. Augustine. WALKER advised that either WACHTEL or himself would be in touch with YOUNG over the weekend regarding St. Augustine.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows WACHTEL's influence on the St. Augustine situation. Letterhead Memorandum was submitted to Bureau, Jacksonville and New York.

1. Date Information Furnished: 5/22/63

2. Nature of Information:

KING contacted YOUNG regarding plans for St. Augustine. YOUNG said CORDY T. VIVIAN was in St. Augustine.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows VIVIAN's involvement in St. Augustine situation. VIVIAN has a security background, having been a member of the Communist Party in 1947. The Bureau and Jacksonville were furnished Letterhead Memorandum.

1. Date Information Furnished: 5/27/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING's secretary told KING that WACHTEL had advised that KING's speech was at the New York Office of SCLC. It was believed that WACHTEL was referring to a speech which had been prepared for KING to give at a NAACP luncheon in New York City. WACHTEL suggested that KING say something in this speech about the death of NEHRU.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows WACHTEL's influence. WACHTEL has security background. Letterhead Memorandum submitted to the Bureau and New York.

1. Date Information Furnished: 6/1/64

2. Nature of Information :

KING and WACHTEL planned meeting for New York City with LAWRENCE REDDICK, CLARENCE JONES and others for 6/7/64.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows continued influence on KING by persons with security backgrounds. Teletype and Letterhead Memorandum submitted.

1. Date Information Furnished: 6/1/64

2. Nature of Information:

ED CLAYTON told KING that SCLC had received a contribution from ANN FARNSWORTH for \$10,000.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Airtel submitted and leads are still pending.

1. Date Information Furnished: 6/6/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING in contact with CORDY T. VIVIAN regarding St. Augustine, Florida, situation. VIVIAN advised that the civil rights workers were holding a workshop on the afternoon of 6/6/64 and after the workshop they were to start picketing stores. He also advised of a mass meeting to be held and kneel-ins at churches were planned.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows involvement of persons with security background in the St. Augustine racial situation. Letterhead Memorandum was submitted.

1. Date Information Furnished: 6/10/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING told his secretary that he was planning a march on 6/10/64 in St. Augustine and planned to be arrested so he would be in jail the next day.

3. Value and Action Taken :

Gave advance warning of KING's racial activities and plans. Teletype and Letterhead Memorandum were submitted.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 6/11/64

2. Nature of Information:

DELORES HALL, a secretarial employee at SCLC Headquarters, asked ANDREW YOUNG for the address of HUNTER PITTS O'DELL. YOUNG was able to advise HALL of this address.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows continued contact between O'DELL and SCLC. O'DELL has a security background. Letterhead Memorandum was submitted.

1. Date Information Furnished: 6/25/64

2. Nature of Information:

HARRY BOYTE, Personnel Director of SCLC, while conversing with an unknown woman, whose sister-in-law was allegedly Secretary to President JOHNSON, told this woman to have her sister-in-law speak to President JOHNSON and request him to have Director HOOVER make a public statement to the effect that SCLC and Dr. KING were not influenced by the Communist Party.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Letterhead Memorandum was submitted.

1. Date Information Furnished: 6/26/64

2. Nature of Information:

KING said he was not going to SCLC rally in Norfolk as previously planned and instead was sending CORDY T. VIVIAN to speak in his place.

3. Value and Action Taken:

Shows person with security background speaking for KING. Teletype and Letterhead Memorandum were submitted.

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TO Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 7-7-64

FROM Mr. J. A. Sizoo

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SUBJECT COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
 NEGRO QUESTION
 COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
 INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

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ASAC [Onsgard] of Los Angeles called at 5:30 p.m. tonight to advise that in accordance with Bureau authorization a technical installation was now in effect and a microphone installation had also been made to provide coverage of the rooms which it is contemplated will be assigned to Martin Luther King on his arrival in Los Angeles. He had previously notified the Hyatt House Hotel that he would arrive on the 8th. [Onsgard] said the hotel had just received word that he would arrive at 9:00 p.m. tonight and the hotel is prepared to provide King the accommodations which have been set aside for him.

Onsgard advised that the symbol number LA 4522-S* has been assigned to the technical installation and LA 4523-S* has been assigned to the microphone installation. Onsgard advised that he would keep us informed of developments.

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- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)

DATE: 6/30/64

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6520-E)

JUNE

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
IS-C

Re Bureau letter dated 6/2/64.

With full security survey completed on facilities of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), 330 Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, it is noted there are presently four Tesurs currently in operation at this facility.

Survey reflects there are three additional lines serving Southern Christian Leadership Conference which should be covered in addition to the four already being covered with Tesurs.

- (1) is a WATS line providing interstate long distance service.
- (2) is an unlisted number (522-2494) which phone is located only in office of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
- (3) is an additional number beated in rotary with others and serving switchboard.

In the event the Bureau authorizes installation of Tesurs on above as indicated, a total of seven Tesurs will be working on the facilities of SCLC which includes five numbers in rotary serving SCLC switchboard, one line serving unlisted private phone of KING and one line serving an interstate WATS line.

The Bureau's attention is directed to Atlanta "June" letter dated 10/10/63 captioned "Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SM-C" wherein reasons were set forth justifying the subsequent utilization of SA W. KUSH of the Miami Office in this instance. Conditions are still as before and it is believed that a sound Agent assigned to another office should make the actual tie in as before in order to assure full security.

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The Laboratory is requested to forward to Atlanta two recorders either of the magnecordette series 100 or of the magnecord PT-6 series for use in conjunction with this installation.

It is recommended that installations (Tesurs) be made immediately and it is anticipated that the additional services of an investigative clerk will be required in the plant operation during the normal office hours of the SCLC to insure full coverage of these sources.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR (Bufile 100-3-116) JUNE DATE: 6/30/64

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6520-E)

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FOR INSTALLATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title CP, USA, Negro Question, Communist
Influence in Racial Matters
Character of Case IS-C
Field Office Atlanta
Symbol Number None
Type of Surveillance (Technical ~~or Microphone~~)

1. Name and address of subject:

Office of Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 330
Auburn Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia

2. Location of technical operation:

Plant located at 300 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Ga.

3. Other technical surveillances on same subject:

Four other technicals in operation on office facilities of
SCLC, one technical surveillance in operation on residence
of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President of SCLC.

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4. Cost and manpower involved:

Cost of three additional leased lines at approximately \$4,
per month plus installation charges, which additional coverage
will require the services of an Investigative Clerks during
the office hours of operation of Southern Christian Leadership
Conference in order to provide full coverage.

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5. Adequacy of security:

Adequate security is provided if person making installations
is unknown to subject, Dr. KING and staff of Southern Christian
Leadership Conference.

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6. Type of case involved:

Security matter investigation to determine degree of influence CP has on mass Negro organizations through Dr. KING.

7. Connection or status of subject in the case:

Dr. KING has in the past been in contact with concealed CP members, and former CP members. As President of SCLC, a leading Negro mass Organization, organization and subject are prime logical targets for influencing and infiltration.

8. Specific information being sought:

Degree of influence being exerted by CP on Dr. KING and Southern Christian Leadership Conference and extent of contacts.

9. Reasons for believing the specific information will be obtained by the technical surveillance:

Dr. KING's CP contacts are basically located in New York City while he normally maintains office and residence in Atlanta. It is however noted Dr. KING is in almost constant travel status.

10. Importance of case and subject:

Dr. KING as President of Southern Christian Leadership Conference has been elevated to the position of "National Leader" of the Negro civil rights and integration movement as shown by recent events.

11. Possibilities of obtaining desired information by other means

(Explain in detail):

With the constant travel status of Dr. KING, and his being almost completely surrounded by members of his own race who are loyal to his cause, it is considered that this is the only means by which desired information can be obtained.

12. Risks of detection involved:

Risks of detection are considered at a minimum.

13. Probable length of technical surveillance:

Indefinite

14. Request made for technical surveillance by any outside agency (name specific official, title and agency):

None known to Atlanta Office.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)
(PERSONAL ATTENTION: ASSISTANT
DIRECTOR, W. C. SULLIVAN)

DATE: 6/8/64

FROM : *W.C.S.*
SAC, ATLANTA (100-6520) (JUNE)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
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Re Bureau airtel to Atlanta dated 6/5/64.

Enclosed herewith is the tape of conversation on 5/31/64 between principal in captioned matter and his wife as furnished by AT 1379-S* *ELSHK*

It is noted that volume is very low on this tape and the conversation fades in some places. Another thing that is difficult to interpret are the pronouns "he" and "she" used by both parties, in such a way as to make it impossible to know the identities of the individuals to whom they are making reference.

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To: SAC, Atlanta (100-6520)

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From: Director, FBI (100-3-116)

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INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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Reurairtel 6-2-64 reporting information obtained 5-31-64 from AT 1372-SF concerning evidences of marital discord on the part of a principal in captioned matter and his spouse.

Furnish the Bureau, by communication marked for the personal attention of Assistant Director William C. Sullivan, any tape available concerning the reported conversation. In the event a tape is not available, furnish the most detailed transcript available.

Handle this matter on a need-to-know basis.

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SAC, Atlanta (100-6520-D)

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Director, FBI (100-3-116) - 1492 JUNE

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
 NEGRO QUESTIONS
 COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
 INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Reurlet May 27, 1964, noting that there are presently in operation four technical surveillances (tesurs) on the office facilities of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) in Atlanta. Recent information is to the effect that these SCLC offices have had their telephone service enlarged and that the facility is possibly being served by additional lines than when the original tesur installation was made. Bureau authority was requested for a survey to be made on the present telephone facilities serving the SCLC so that appropriate recommendations may be made for additional installations.

Provided full security is assured, you are authorized to make the requested survey. Furnish Bureau results of survey and recommendations relative to any possible additional installations. In the future, insure that requests for surveys relative to technical-type coverage always include some statement concerning the assurance of security.

NOTE:

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The tesurs in operation (AT 1330-S*, AT 1331-S*, AT 1332-S* and AT 1333-S*) were authorized 10-21-63 and installed 11-8-63. They are of inestimable value in gaining intelligence not only concerning SCLC affairs but concerning the head of that organization, Martin Luther King, Jr.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)

DATE: 5/27/64

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6520-D) (P)

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SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
IS-C

Reference is made to previous correspondence relating to technical installations in this investigation, it being noted that there are presently in operation four Tesurs on the office facilities of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

Recent information has come to our attention through informants which indicates that the Southern Christian Leadership Conference has had their telephone service enlarged and that the facility is possibly being served by additional lines than when our original installation was made.

Bureau authority is requested for a survey to be made on the present telephone facilities serving the Southern Christian Leadership Conference so that appropriate recommendations may be made for additional installations.

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Date: 5/20/64

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548-Sub 4)
SUBJECT: CP, USA - NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL
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ReNYairtel to Bureau 4/23/64.

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Bland
- 1 - Mr. Donohue
- 1 - Mr. Phillips
- 1 - Mr. Denz

To: SAC, New York (100-151549)

From: Director, FBI (100-3-116)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Provided full security is assured authority is granted to install a technical surveillance on the Office of Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Room 1202, 15 East 40th Street, New York City, New York.

You should advise the Bureau of the time and date of the installation, symbol number, and telephone number involved. Submit justification letter thirty days after installation and each three months thereafter.

Necessary leased line letter follows.

NOTE:

See memorandum Baumgardner to W. C. Sullivan dated 5/6/64 captioned, "COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, NEGRO QUESTION, COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS, INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST," RCD:lat

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SAC, Atlanta (100-6520)

April 1, 1964

Director, FBI (100-3-116)

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COMMUNIST PARTY, USA.
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

You will recall that at the Seat of Government conference attended by two Agents of your office on December 23, 1963, for the purpose of exploring possible avenues of additional investigation in connection with captioned matter, it was decided that because of the necessity for an extremely discreet approach by the Bureau in this matter and because certain facets of our investigation were then relatively new, this matter would be reappraised in approximately 90 days. In the interim, your office was to give consideration to a number of matters having potential for further inquiry. These included: possibilities of anonymous source contacts; possibilities of utilizing contacts in the news media field; initiating discreet checks relative to developing background information on employees of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC); remaining alert to the possibility of capitalizing on any disgruntled SCLC employee; the possibility of developing information concerning any financial dealings of King which may be illegal; and the development of subversive information pertaining to SCLC employees.

The Bureau appreciates the suggestion recently made by you that another conference be held at the Seat of Government with representatives of both your office and the New York Office because of the extensive coverage being given by New York in this matter. The Bureau has given thorough consideration to this suggestion but believes that at this time, rather than a conference, receiving offices should make a thorough self-analysis of the handling of this case and related aspects such as investigations of individuals and organizations close to the communist influence in racial

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Letter to Atlanta
RE: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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1 - Mr. Phillips

SAC, Atlanta (100-6520)

April 1, 1964

Director, FBI (100-3-116)

PERSONAL ATTENTION

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA.
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

You will recall that at the Seat of Government conference attended by two Agents of your office on December 23, 1963, for the purpose of exploring possible avenues of additional investigation in connection with captioned matter, it was decided that because of the necessity for an extremely discreet approach by the Bureau in this matter and because certain facets of our investigation were then relatively new, this matter would be reappraised in approximately 90 days. In the interim, your office was to give consideration to a number of matters having potential for further inquiry. These included: possibilities of anonymous source contacts; possibilities of utilizing contacts in the news media field; initiating discreet checks relative to developing background information on employees of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC); remaining alert to the possibility of capitalizing on any disgruntled SCLC employee; the possibility of developing information concerning any financial dealings of King which may be illegal; and the development of subversive information pertaining to SCLC employees.

The Bureau appreciates the suggestion recently made by you that another conference be held at the Seat of Government with representatives of both your office and the New York Office because of the extensive coverage being given by New York in this matter. The Bureau has given thorough consideration to this suggestion but believes that at this time, rather than a conference, receiving offices should make a thorough self-analysis of the handling of this case and related aspects such as investigations of individuals and organizations close to the communist influence in racial

2 - New York (100-151543) (PERSONAL ATTENTION)

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1 - Mr. Donohue
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March 31, 1964

AIRTEL

To: SAC, Detroit

JUNE

From: Director, FBI (100-3-116)

PERSONAL ATTENTION

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Re telephone call March 19, 1964, between Assistant Director W. C. Sullivan and ASAC J. F. Callaghan.

By return airtel, without fail, advise time and date installation effected, symbol number assigned, and time and date of discontinuance. Include brief summary of results of coverage and advice as to when full details will be received at Bureau.

AFFORD THIS MATTER YOUR PERSONAL, EXPEDITIOUS ATTENTION.

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MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
(Attn: Administrative Division)

DATE: 3/25/64

FROM : SA HARRY F. CLIFFORD, JR.
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA - NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
IS - C

CONFIDENTIAL VOUCHER FROM SAN FRANCISCO
\$1,521.24 3/11/64

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Re Bureau routing slip dated 3/20/64, questioning various expenditures out of the confidential fund of the San Francisco Office and specifically with regard to expenditures in the amounts of \$142.66 and \$257.28. A copy of the Bureau routing slip is attached and there is also attached a copy of an airtel from San Francisco to the Bureau dated 2/25/64, setting forth in chronological order the events which occurred on this special assignment in Honolulu, the difficulties overcome, and the reasons for the various expenditures made.

The purpose of this present memorandum is to further explain the nature of some of the expenditures and the reasons therefor. It must be understood that the five Agents involved in this special assignment were under instructions that under no circumstances could they be "made" by the Subject and members of his party, and that under no circumstances could they be identified by the Subject and his party or anybody acting on his behalf as FBI Agents.

At the conference in Assistant Director Sullivan's Office on 2/3/64, based upon the previous experience of the Washington Field Office at the Willard Hotel under somewhat similar circumstances, it was agreed that for effective operation, it was necessary to survey the construction of the hotel building involved as far in advance as possible in order to determine the effectiveness of our technical equipment. It was also agreed that if at all possible it would be necessary to get rooms adjacent to the Subject's in order that our technical transmitting equipment be most effective. Based upon the experience of the Washington Field Office, it was planned that "towers" or listening

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posts be set up in hotel rooms next to the Subject and that once the Agents were put in these towers they were to stay there to provide security for the equipment, to provide security for themselves (so they would not be seen), and that one or more of them ordinarily would leave the room only when the Subjects were known to be out of their room or were sound asleep. This practice was followed in Honolulu and the rooms rented were definitely not for the personal convenience of the Agents and were occupied under the conditions outlined above.

As seen beginning in the last paragraph on page 3 of the attached copy of the airtel, it was extremely difficult for SAs HARRY F. CLIFFORD, JR. and FORDYCE G. LYMAN even to get into the Hawaiian Hilton Village Hotel where the Subject was to be quartered in order to experiment with the equipment. As noted on pages 4 and 5 of the attached airtel, it appeared for a time as if it would be impossible to obtain space immediately next to the Subjects and, therefore, when SAs ALBERT P. CLARK, ROBERT U. MANN, and RICHARD E. STEPHENS arrived in Honolulu on Saturday, 2/15/64, a room was obtained for them as close to the building in which the Subject was eventually to be quartered as possible. Confidential Bureau equipment was put into that room, experimented with, and guarded in the same manner as noted above.

When information was received that the Subjects were going to eventually move to the Kahala Hilton Hotel a new problem presented itself. SAC PRICE of the Honolulu Office explained that this was the newest, most expensive, and most luxurious hotel in the Hilton Chain.

On 2/13/64, SAs CLIFFORD and LYMAN determined that it would be necessary to make a survey of the construction, room layout, etc. of the Kahala Hilton Hotel with special emphasis on so-called "common walls" in which the electrical and telephonic installations on rooms side by side backed into each other. They went out to the hotel with the plan that one would try to appear as a guest of the hotel who was meeting the other as a friend of the guest. On arrival at the hotel they determined that the vast ornate lobby was totally unoccupied, that the halls had little or no traffic in them, and that the hotel had as its guests wealthy people, generally rather elderly, who were very sedate and obviously able to afford to stay at such a place. At

At the time of his first view of the lobby and public views of the hotel, SA CLIFFORD got the impression it was like a huge mausoleum except the bodies in it were alive. In carrying out their plan, therefore, they had to act like the other guests acted. One would go up in an elevator, prowl the halls discreetly as much as possible, looking for an open door where a maid was making up the room and saunter into the room, engage the maid in conversation, and at a quick glance try to set in his mind the typical room layout with particular attention to electrical connections and common wall potentials. The other in the mean time would proceed to the grill and bar as if he were expecting a friend. The first then would descend in the elevator as if he were a guest in the hotel and invite the friend to have a drink and a bite to eat. This same technique was repeated after the other three Agents arrived and this accounts for the expenditures on 2/13, 16, and 17/64, which we believe were fully justified in order to maintain discretion, elude the security force we knew to be at the hotel, and still prepare ourselves for what we knew would be a tough nut to crack.

Page 6 of the attached airtel sets forth the information that the principal Subject was located in Room 405 of the ocean tower building of the Hawaiian Village Hotel and also occupied Room 404 for members of his party. Room 405 was a corner room with balconies on two sides. Room 406, which was occupied by Agents, was on one side and Room 403, which was also occupied by Agents, was on the other side of Room 404. All of these latter rooms had one balcony each on the outside of the building. It was necessary to rent these rooms for official business and occupy them at all times on a 24-hour basis, not only to protect our equipment, but to effect the actual installations made.

The five Agents involved were spread very thin inasmuch as at no time were Rooms 404 and 405 left unassigned to occupants. Both these two rooms were occupied when the Agents were able to get rooms along side them and there was actually an overlap in technical occupancy due to the time element before the previous occupants got out and the Subject and his party moved in. Therefore, the installations had to be made while the

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rooms were technically occupied, but in the absence of the actual occupants. The very limited manpower was deployed as follows:

The two technical Agents entered Room 405 and made the actual installations. One Agent stood on a chair inside the door of Room 406 and viewed the hall leading from the elevators through the jalousie transom. Another Agent stood on a chair inside Room 403 and looked along the hall and balcony leading to an outside stairway in the other direction. The fifth Agent was in the lobby near the house telephone in an attempt to give warning should the Subjects head for one of the many elevators or the stairway.

The service provided by this hotel in this crowded resort area is quite different than encountered in a continental hotel. Besides cleaning the rooms once a day, the maid enters the room in the early evening and turns down the beds. In addition, she or the security force makes a room check twice a day to be sure that everything is in order. Each time the maid enters the room, she merely knocks on the door, puts a master key in the door, and opens the door. We anticipated, therefore, that the rooms occupied by us would be checked four times a day. We had to have Agents in the room at all times and, therefore, the particular Agent in the room at any given time feigned illness and insisted that the room not be cleaned up, but that he would handle it himself.

Once the Subject moved into Room 405 we realized that we could not be seen as occupying adjoining rooms in the Hawaiian Village Hotel and later be seen as occupying adjoining rooms at the Kahala Hilton Hotel. This was particularly true of SA CLIFFORD who is easily identified because of his white hair. Therefore, once SA CLIFFORD moved into Room 406, he did not leave the room until he departed for Los Angeles on Bureau instructions except to duck down to the open-air lobby late at night to make emergency telephone calls to the Honolulu Office with instructions to call Los Angeles and the Bureau from a public telephone booth.

The summary transcript shows that the installations in Room 405 were monitored from the time of the entrance of the Subjects at 2:12 p.m., 2/18/64 until 11:45 p.m. that night and monitoring began Wednesday morning, 2/19/64, at 7:06 a.m. and continued to approximately 1:30 a.m., Thursday morning, 2/20/64. It is obvious that these rooms were used for official business and not for the personal convenience of the Agents.

With regard to the Bureau's inquiry concerning the Kahala Hilton Hotel, on Wednesday morning, 2/19/64, SAs CLARK, WANN, and LYMAN were dispatched early in the morning to the Kahala Hilton Hotel to provide coverage of the Subjects in advance because the latter were expected to move to the Kahala Hilton Hotel at noon time on Thursday, 2/20/64. As noted at the bottom of page 7 of the attached copy of the airtel, we were able to effect an arrangement with the hotel whereby rooms would be allocated as we desired, four to the Subjects and three to ourselves. We made this agreement with the hotel which was 75% occupied: That if their occupancy reached the point whereby they would lose payment for one night for the four rooms reserved for the following night for the Subjects, we would reimburse the hotel for these four rooms at whatever rate the rooms were rented for. With regard to the other three rooms, our three Agents would check into those rooms expecting to occupy the rooms the night of the 19th and would pay the regular rate for the occupancy. These seven rooms ran from \$27.00 per day to \$40.00 per day with an estimate average rate of \$35.00 per day or an overall cost of \$245.00 a day, if it had become necessary to pay for them.

As noted at the bottom of page 7 and top of page 8 of attached airtel, Agents worked all day and all evening making installations and then had to work all night removing the installations. Therefore, they did not occupy the rooms as normal guests and certainly it was not for their personal convenience. Because of the quality of the SAC Contact at the hotel and because no demand had been made for these rooms by other guests or potential guests, the hotel suffered no monetary loss and did not charge us for the four rooms set aside for the eventual occupancy of the Subjects, nor for the three rooms utilized, but not really occupied by the three Agents.

In the mean time, SAs CLIFFORD and STEPHENS remained in Rooms 403 and 406 at the Hawaiian Village Hotel and monitored the combined installations. They did not leave these rooms until Thursday morning, 2/20/64, when the other three Agents returned from the Kahala Hilton Hotel with the equipment, helped pack it, and sent SAs CLIFFORD and LYMAN to the airport to hurry to Los Angeles.

After SAs CLIFFORD and LYMAN departed for Los Angeles on Thursday, 2/20/64, SAs CLARK, MANN, and STEPHENS cleared the equipment out of the rooms occupied by the Subjects and out of Rooms 403 and 406 occupied by the Agents to monitor and surveil the Subjects, and took it down to the field office in order to begin packing it for shipment. It is noted that they paid cash for the room rent of Room 406, which they retained, for the nights of 2/21/64 and 2/22/64 because the Bureau equipment had been removed and security precautions were no longer necessary. They then "mopped up" the operation and returned to San Francisco on Sunday, 2/23/64. The nights of 2/21-22/64 were the only nights where it could be said that the room was occupied for the Agents personal convenience because no Bureau equipment was installed in the room and in this instance the Agents paid for the room each night in cash.

The Bureau has acknowledged that this assignment was successful as far as it went and the only way to handle it was the manner in which it was handled, by getting first near the Subjects, then next to the Subjects, and working around the clock where necessary.

It is hoped that this fully explains the reason for the highly confidential, but absolutely necessary expenditures made.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

JUNE

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (Bufile 100-3-116) DATE: 3/20/64

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6520-E)

SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title: Communist Party, USA, Negro Question
Communist Influence in Racial Matters

Character of Case IS-C

Field Office Atlanta

Symbol Number AT 1380-S*, AT 1381-S*, **ELSYRS**

Type of Surveillance: (Technical or Microphone) AT 1382-S* and AT 1383-S*

Technical

1. Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed: **C.A.**

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

2. Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:

Installation made at 328 Auburn Avenue, N.E., to cover 330 Auburn Avenue, N.E.

3. Location of monitoring plant:
300 West Peachtree Street, N.E.
Apartment 20K

4. Dates of initial authorization and installation:

10/15/63
11/8/63

5. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):
None

6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:

a. Is a trunk line utilized? **Yes** **REC 29**

XEROX. Is the surveillance on a switchboard? **No**

c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone?

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d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line? Private

e. If a party line, how many parties? _

7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each:

8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination: No

9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)

See Addendum

10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?

No

11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject:

None

12. Has security factor changed since installation?

No

13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):

None

14. Cost of Plant Premises:

a. Rental costs for plant premises: \$250 per month

b. Give total number of other surveillances monitored at same plant.
One

- c. If any others, set out the proportionate cost of instant surveillance:

\$250 per month

15. Cost of Leased Line for instant installation?

\$80 Installation

\$15.20 monthly lease

16. Personnel Costs:

- a. Give total number of special employees and/or Special Agents working at plant and total salary costs.

Three Special Agents

Total Salaries per week \$701

- b. Total number of man hours per week spent at plant?

168

- c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:

134.4 man hours

- d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:

\$560.80 Total salaries per week for instant surveillance

17. Remarks (By SAC):

Justification of four symbol sources are all included on this form because they relate to coverage of one office and they represent information received from three lines in rotary and one unlisted at same office.

Recommend continuation of surveillance.

Deleted 7 pages of addendum in reply to Item 9, page 2, all of which contain only information obtained from ELSURS on King.

ADDENDUM:

Item 9

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/17/63

2. Nature of Information

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., told an unknown acquaintance that "they", meaning Southern Christian Leadership Conference, needed to get together and have a two day retreat in North Carolina. The retreat KING had in mind is owned by the Episcopal Church near Asheville, North Carolina. He wanted staff members to be present as well as four or five others like HARRY WACHTEL and BAYARD RUSTIN.

3. Value and Action Taken

Advance notice of an important Southern Christian Leadership Conference meeting where persons with Communist backgrounds were in attendance. Information set forth in Letterhead Memorandum and Charlotte was advised.

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/21/63

2. Nature of Information

HARRY WACHTEL told KING that RALPH ABERNATHY (Treasurer of Southern Christian Leadership Conference) and FRED BENNETT (Field Representative of Southern Christian Leadership Conference), as well as KING, should be present when the libel suit was argued by WILLIAM ROGERS, former Attorney General; before the Supreme Court in Washington, D. C. (This referred to a libel suit filed by State of Alabama officials against the "New York Times" and certain Southern Christian Leadership Conference officials.)

3. Value and Action Taken

This enabled the Bureau to learn of WACHTEL's involvement in the libel case in advance. This information was submitted to the Bureau and interested offices by airtel.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/26/63

2. Nature of Information

WYATT WALKER (Executive Director of Southern Christian Leadership Conference) instructed a contributor to Southern Christian Leadership Conference to make their check out to "Southern Home Mission Work" and send it to KING's church in Atlanta, (Ebenezer Baptist Church). WALKER indicated that some sums as large as \$5,000 are given directly to KING's church in Atlanta in order to avoid taxes (since Southern Christian Leadership Conference is not a tax-exempt organization).

3. Value and Action Taken

The nature of the handling of contributions by Southern Christian Leadership Conference to avoid taxes presents a possible counter-intelligence opportunity. The information was submitted to the Bureau.

1. Date Information Furnished: 1/8/64

2. Nature of Information

HARRY BOYTE, Executive Assistant of KING, advised that he had made reservations in the Holiday Inn Motel in downtown Atlanta in his true name and address. BOYTE, who is white, said the plan was to have a couple hundred Negroes stage a sit-in in the lobby and when they are asked to leave they would say they had been invited to BOYTE's suite for a conference.

3. Value and Action Taken

This information enabled the Atlanta Office to know about a racial situation before it occurred. An anonymous call prevented the situation from developing. Although there were demonstrations at this motel, BOYTE was unable to obtain the desired reservations which prevented the situation from progressing as far as it probably would have.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 1/8/64

2. Nature of Information

Information regarding KING meeting DOROTHY COTTON alone in FRED BENNETT's apartment and the fact that KING had been seen during the holiday season by some of his staff leaving BENNETT's apartment in the early morning hours with a girl friend.

3. Value and Action Taken

Possible counter-intelligence potential. Information furnished to the Bureau.

1. Date Information Furnished: 1/10/64

2. Nature of Information

Advanced information on plans for RODMAN ROCKEFELLER of the West Chester Urban League, New York, New York, to have a fund raising luncheon at the ROCKEFELLER estate in West Chester for KING.

3. Value and Action Taken

Bureau benefits from advanced information regarding the accrual of certain benefits toward KING and his organization. Letterhead Memorandum was submitted.

1. Date Information Furnished: 1/14/64

2. Nature of Information

KING and BETT WALTER sent a telegram to the Deputy Director of the U. S. State Department, Eastern European and Soviet Section, Washington, D. C., advising that they had learned that visas for the Soviet Peace Committee had been denied. The telegram urged that the best interest of the Soviet - U. S. relations would be served if the visa matter was reconsidered and granted in light of comparable courtesy extended to the U. S. Peace delegation by the Russians. A Letterhead Memorandum was submitted.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 1/23/64

2. Nature of Information

HARRY WACHTEL was in contact with CORDY T. VIVIAN (Director of Affiliates of Southern Christian Leadership Conference) and requested that a letter which was being prepared regarding the Gandhi Society be forwarded to WACHTEL and CLARENCE JONES for final approval before printing. WACHTEL requested that the letter be sent to him c/o 711 Fifth Avenue, New York.

VIVIAN was identified by Springfield informant in 1947 as a member of the Community Section of the Communist Party, Peoria, Illinois, at that time.

3. Value and Action Taken

Shows WACHTEL's influence on Southern Christian Leadership Conference as well as VIVIAN's activities in these matters. A letterhead memorandum was submitted.

1. Date Information Furnished: 1/2/64

2. Nature of Information

KING said the Southern Christian Leadership Conference planned to have a meeting (which was eventually held about 1/20/64 for two or three days) at Black Mountain, North Carolina. KING said this meeting would be held in order to map the specific strategy for the next few months. He planned a three day retreat at which time he would meet with about twenty people to plan the program. Among those to attend would be HARRY WACHTEL, CLARENCE JONES, BAYARD RUSTIN and CORDY T. VIVIAN.

3. Value and Action Taken

Shows possible Communist influence in Southern Christian Leadership Conference. A Letterhead Memorandum was submitted with this information and it was also included in a report on COMINFIL of SCLC.

ADDENDUM:

3. Value and Action Taken

Shows possible subversive influence in Southern Christian Leadership Conference as well as relationship between an employee and Communist Party member. Information submitted in a Letterhead Memorandum and also in COMINFIL of SCLC report.

1. Date Information Furnished: 2/6/64

2. Nature of Information Furnished

Source furnished information that CORDY T. VIVIAN was active in promoting a state-wide Civil Rights meeting to be held in Montgomery, Alabama, by Southern Christian Leadership Conference on 3/4/64.

3. Value and Action Taken

Advanced knowledge of racial activity. Information submitted in Letterhead Memorandum.

1. Date Information Furnished: 2/4/64

2. Nature of Information Furnished

HUNTER PITTS O'DELL told EDWINA SMITH that the best way for KING to fight allegations of "red" infiltration of the Southern Conference Educational Fund (SCEF) was to use pressure on the president (President JOHNSON) by reminding the president that AUBREY WILLIAMS described as "the guiding light of SCEF" had been heavily depended on by the president regarding obtaining information for him on the Civil Rights and Negro situation. O'DELL strongly urged EDWINA to impress this on KING so the president could be forced to defend WILLIAMS and SCEF.

3. Value and Action Taken

Shows possible influence of a Communist Party National Committeeman on Southern Christian Leadership Conference and KING. Also shows Bureau tactics to be used by subversives in order that White House can be notified. Letterhead Memorandum was submitted.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 2/26/64

2. Nature of Information Furnished

Source said that Sergeant SHRIVER, Washington, D. C., told KING's Secretary he, SHRIVER, was doing a report on poverty in the U. S. for President JOHNSON. It was indicated that SHRIVER would like for KING to go to Washington, D. C., 2/27, 28, or 29/64 for a conference before he turned in the report in order that he could have KING's views.

3. Value and Action Taken

Information showing influence of KING on government officials. A Letterhead Memorandum was submitted.

1. Date Information Furnished: 3/4/64

2. Nature of Information Furnished

One of KING's girl friends, BARBARA MEREDITH, told an employee at the SCLC office that KING had "told off" another employee of Southern Christian Leadership Conference because of dissension about starting salaries of the SCLC employees. KING and other SCLC employees argued for two hours about various other SCLC employees. This took place at a small party of SCLC employees. KING got very drunk and made uncomplimentary remarks about some of the SCLC personnel.

3. Value and Action Taken

Counter-intelligence type material showing dissension within the ranks. A letter was submitted to the Bureau and New York.

1. Date Information Furnished: 3/10/64

2. Nature of Information

WYATT WALKER mentioned that since Southern Christian Leadership Conference was not a tax deductible organization many large gifts by individuals were directed to Ebenezer Baptist Church. (This is the church where KING and his father are co-pastors).

ADDENDUM:

KING told his Secretary, DORA McDONALD, that certain money going to "the church" should be drawn out to him from the church fund but not all at one time. He also instructed similar handling of funds to be drawn out in RALPH ABERNATHY's name.

3. Value and Action Taken

Counter-intelligence information from the tax angle. Letterhead Memorandum submitted to the Bureau.

1. Date Information Furnished: 3/9-10/64

2. Nature of Information

Source put STANLEY DAVID LEVISON (secret Communist Party member) in the SCLC Headquarters Office with KING.

3. Value and Action Taken

Aided physical surveillance in putting KING and LEVISON together and enabled Agents to make this observation discretely.

18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

(If this surveillance involves cryptanalysis, include statement that decrypted material is or is not sufficiently important to continue decrypting.)

AT 1380-S*, AT 1381-S*, AT 1382-S*, and AT 1383-S* /
comprise a technical surveillance on the office of the Southern
Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) at 330 Auburn Avenue, N.E.,
Atlanta, Georgia. Authorized 10/15/63, installed 11/8/63.

The SCLC and its leader, Martin Luther King, Jr., are the subjects of intensified Bureau investigations inasmuch as it has been determined that communists and communist sympathizers exert a great deal of influence over this organization. During the past three months, source provided valuable information regarding a conference planned and held by King and SCLC officials in North Carolina in January, 1964. Source reported that this conference was attended by numerous individuals who were either former members of the Communist Party (CP) or CP fronts. Source provided information in February, 1964, regarding Hunter Pitts O'Dell, a former SCLC employee who has been identified as a former member of the CPUSA National Committee. Source reported that O'Dell indirectly furnished advice to King to the effect that pressure should be brought to bear on President Johnson in order to eliminate "red baiting" tactics against the SCLC. The source also provided information to the effect that financial contributions to the SCLC, which is not a tax exempt organization, were being diverted to the church of which King is pastor in order to avoid taxes. In March, 1964, source provided extensive data regarding a visit by Stanley Levison, a secret, highly placed communist, with King at SCLC headquarters in Atlanta.

Source also provides day-to-day information regarding King's promiscuous extramarital activities as well as the identities of his "girl friends." Source has been most valuable in uncovering the extensive communist infiltration and domination of both King and the SCLC.

Domestic Intelligence Division concurs with the recommendation of SAC, Atlanta, that source be continued for an additional three-month period.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

JUNE

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (Bufile 100-3-116) DATE: 3/20/64

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6520-E)

SUBJECT: JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

Communist Party, USA, Negro Question
RE: Title Communist Influence in Racial Matters

Character of Case IS-C

Field Office Atlanta

Symbol Number AT 1379-S EDSVIR

Type of Surveillance: (Technical or GA.
Microphone) Technical

1. Name of person or organization on whom surveillance placed:

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

2. Address where installation made. Also give exact room number or area covered:

563 Johnson Avenue, NE, Atlanta, Ga., covered by installation made at Houston and Boulevard, N.E.

3. Location of monitoring plant:

300 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Ga.
Apartment 20K

4. Dates of initial authorization and installation:

10/15/63
11/8/63

5. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and places):

None

6. If installation is a technical surveillance, answer following questions:

a. Is a trunk line utilized? Yes

b. Is the surveillance on a switchboard? No

c. Is the surveillance on a public coin-operated telephone? No

Registered Mail

1- Bureau (RM)

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d. Is surveillance on a private line or a party line? Private

e. If a party line, how many parties? -

7. If a microphone surveillance involved, state number of microphones actually used and location of each:

8. Is the installation part of a tel-mike? If so, give symbol of other side of the combination:

No

9. Specific examples of valuable information obtained since previous report with indication of specific value of each item and the date information received. State what use was made of each item involved: (Add insert pages)

See Addendum

10. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means?

No

11. Number of live informants (in field division) who cover same subject:

None

12. Has security factor changed since installation?

No

13. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency):

None

14. Cost of Plant Premises:

a. Rental costs for plant premises: \$250 per month

b. Give total number of other surveillances monitored at same plant.

Four

- c. If any others, set out the proportionate cost of instant surveillance:

\$50 per month.

15. Cost of Leased Line for instant installation?

\$20 installation

\$3.80 monthly lease

16. Personnel Costs:

- a. Give total number of special employees and/or Special Agents working at plant and total salary costs.

Three Special Agents

Total Salaries per week \$701.

- b. Total number of man hours per week spent at plant?

168 man hours

- c. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate number of man hours per week spent on instant surveillance:

33.6 man hours

- d. If other installations monitored at same plant, list proportionate salary expense per annum for instant surveillance:

Total salaries per week for instant surveillance
\$140.20.

17. Remarks (By SAC):

Recommended surveillance be continued.

Deleted 6 pages of addendum in reply to Item 9, page 2,
all of which contain only information obtained from ELSURS
on KING.

ADDENDUM:

Item 9

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/18/63

2. Nature of Information

HARRY BOYTE, Executive Assistant of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., told KING that he had been to a party 12/17/63 and had heard that JOHN LEWIS of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee was a member of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee.

3. Value and Action Taken

Security information obtained regarding officer of Civil Rights group. Lead was set out to New York to attempt to verify.

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/15/63

2. Nature of Information

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., contacted a girl friend by the name of LIZZIE BELL with telephone number 794-0119.

3. Value and Action Taken

The information helped identify one of KING's girl friends and a file was opened in order to determine more background information regarding this girl.

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/21/63.

2. Nature of Information

KING was in contact with a girl friend at telephone number 681-3088, Los Angeles, California.

3. Value and Action Taken

The information aided in identification of another girl friend and leads were set forth to Los Angeles in connection with counter-intelligence program.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 12/21/63

2. Nature of Information

KING in contact with another girl friend, BARBARA MEREDITH, telephone number 753-2496, Atlanta, Georgia.

3. Value and Action Taken

Information aided in identification of another girl friend. A file was opened on BARBARA MEREDITH in order to determine more information regarding her background and activities in connection with counter-intelligence.

1. Date Information Furnished: 1/12/64.

2. Nature of Information

Southern Christian Leadership Conference plans for voter registration campaign in Savannah, Georgia, in January, 1964.

3. Value and Action Taken

Information submitted for the use of the Savannah Office and for the Bureau's information in racial matter activities.

1. Date Information Furnished: 1/12/64

2. Nature of Information

KING was in contact with another girl friend in New York by the name of EFFIE.

3. Value and Action Taken

Information was furnished to New York and the girl was subsequently identified.

1. Date Information Furnished: 1/17/64.

2. Nature of Information

KING was contacted by a Representative of the White House and was requested to be present at a meeting with President JOHNSON, along with other Civil Rights leaders on January 18, 1964.

ADDENDUM:

3. Value and Action Taken

Information of value to Bureau in Racial Matter investigations and it was furnished to the Bureau on 1/17/64 by teletype.

1. Date Information Furnished: 1/19/64

2. Nature of Information

BAYARD RUSTIN, former Communist Party member, of New York City, contacted KING on 1/19/64 and told KING that he would be at the Southern Christian Leadership Conference conference at Black Mountain, North Carolina, on 1/20/64.

3. Value and Action Taken

RUSTIN is a former Communist Party member and currently associates with known Communists. This information shows Communist influence on KING's organization. Information was furnished to the Bureau and interested offices. It was also incorporated in COMINFIL of SCLC report.

1. Date Information Furnished: 1/16/64.

2. Nature of Information

CLARENCE JONES, former Labor Youth League member of New York City, who associates with known Communists, told KING's wife that he and his wife, ANN JONES, planned to attend the Black Mountain, North Carolina, meeting of SCLC.

3. CLARENCE JONES is a former Labor Youth League member of New York City, who associates with known Communists. This information shows Communist influence on KING's organization. Information was furnished to the Bureau and interested offices. It was also incorporated in COMINFIL of SCLC report.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 1/28/64

2. Nature of Information

Information regarding money received by Southern Christian Leadership Conference from SAMMY DAVIS, JR. in California.

3. Value and Action Taken

This information of value in determining financial information and tax information about Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Information was submitted in Letterhead Memorandum.

1. Date Information Furnished: 2/5/64

2. Nature of Information

KING's wife became upset and berated KING for not spending enough time at home with her. This happened at a time when KING was at FRED BENNETT's apartment and the source believed he had DOROTHY COTTON (an officer of Southern Christian Leadership Conference) in the apartment alone with him.

3. Value and Action Taken

Information valuable from counter-intelligence standpoint. Information submitted to Bureau and New York in airtel.

1. Date Information Furnished: 2/25/64

2. Nature of Information

WILLIAM KUNSTLER of New York, a lawyer who has represented Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was in Monroe, North Carolina, defending a kidnaping case wherein MAE MALLORY of New York was the defendant. MALLORY, a known Trotskyite, had been involved in a kidnaping which grew out of a racial demonstration. KUNSTLER told KING that he needed HARRY BOYTE, KING's assistant, to testify on behalf of the defense.

ADDENDUM:

3. Value and Action Taken

Information showed that one of KING's Chief Assistants was involved in the Monroe, North Carolina, racial situation. Information furnished by airtel to the Bureau and interested offices. It was subsequently determined that BOYTE was put on the stand.

1. Date Information Furnished: 2/29/64

2. Nature of Information

KING indicated to CLARENCE JONES that he wanted to reconsider hiring BAYARD RUSTIN for a position with Southern Christian Leadership Conference because of BAYARD's background.

3. Value and Action Taken

RUSTIN, a former Communist Party member, is still under consideration for a position and it was later determined that KING has been convinced that RUSTIN should be hired. The information was submitted in a Letterhead Memorandum.

1. Date Information Furnished: 3/7/64

2. Nature of Information

TOM KILGORE, Los Angeles telephone number 291-5115, wanted to know if KING would call the Governor of California to intercede with him in an effort to get certain proposed legislation kept off ballot where evidently a referendum had been decided upon. KING said he would do this and would also send telegrams to a number of California legislators.

3. Value and Action Taken

The information shows possible use of KING's influence in political situations. An airtel was submitted to the Bureau and Los Angeles.

ADDENDUM:

1. Date Information Furnished: 2/64

2. Nature of Information

Information regarding KING's and other Southern Christian Leadership Conference officials' trip to Hawaii. This included information regarding planned official activity as well as plans for dates with girl friends.

3. Value and Action Taken

Valuable from a standpoint of counter-intelligence operations. Information was furnished expeditiously to Bureau and the offices concerned.

1. Date Information Furnished: 3/10/64

2. Nature of Information

KING told CLARENCE JONES of New York that he and STAN (LEVISON) had gone over everything regarding BAYARD (RUSTIN) taking a job with Southern Christian Leadership Conference. It was indicated that LEVISON was in contact with KING in Atlanta, Georgia, and had apparently convinced him to go ahead and take the risk of criticism that would come from hiring RUSTIN.

3. Value and Action Taken

This information shows the Communist influence on Southern Christian Leadership Conference since LEVISON has been identified as a secret member of the Communist Party, USA. The source also aided on 3/9 and 10/64 to maintain a physical surveillance discretely on LEVISON. LEVISON and KING on 3/9/64 were placed in actual contact with each other from observation of Atlanta Agents.

18. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

(If this surveillance involves cryptanalysis, include statement that decrypted material is or is not sufficiently important to continue decrypting.)

AT 1379-S* is a technical surveillance on the residence of Martin Luther King, Jr., at 563 Johnson Avenue, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia. Authorized 10/15/63, installed 11/8/63.

Source provided extremely valuable information on a day-to-day basis regarding subject's association with present or former Communist Party (CP) members and the influence exerted by these individuals on King in carrying out the business of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). In January, 1964, source reported that King is closely associated with Bayard Rustin, a former communist, and that plans were in the making to hire Rustin by the SCLC. Source continues to provide information regarding King's and the SCLC's affiliation with Clarence Jones, former Labor Youth League member; Stanley Levison who was identified as a concealed CP member recently; as well as other individuals who have subversive histories. This coverage reveals that Levison dominates King to a great extent and that King consults with Levison frequently regarding the operations of the SCLC. This source has made it possible for us to conduct discreet physical surveillances which show actual contacts and association between Levison and King.

Source also provides a great deal of information regarding King's extramarital activities and the numerous women with whom he is carrying on. Source is extremely valuable in fully implementing our coverage of King and the SCLC, and the Domestic Intelligence Division concurs with the recommendation of SAC, Atlanta, that source be continued for an additional three-month period.

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TO : MR. BELMONT

DATE: 3/19/64

FROM : W. C. Sullivan *WCS*

JUNE

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY-USA, NEGRO QUESTION
 COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS:
 Internal Security - Communist

Baumgardner

We learned that Martin Luther King is in Detroit today and will be there overnight. ASAC Callaghan of Detroit phoned to advise me that King is at the Statler Hotel, with an associate, Bernard Lee. They have Rooms 1270 and 1272. Our agents are secure in Room 1274.

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Lee was one of King's associates during the Willard Hotel escapade in Washington in January, 1964. There is a strong possibility that a similar "entertainment" will take place in Detroit.

W.C. Sullivan

ACTION:

In view of the time element involved, I authorized Detroit to effect a microphone surveillance to cover King's activities, which Detroit has advised can be effected with full security.

WCS

100-3-116
 WCS:CSH (8)

- cc Mr. Belmont
- Mr. Sullivan
- Mr. Baumgardner
- Mr. Bland
- Mr. J.D. Donohue
- Mr. S.F. Phillips
- File 100-106670 (Martin Luther King)

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ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

1 - Mr. Donohue
1 - Mr. Phillips

SAC, Atlanta (100-6520-B)

March 19, 1964

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Director, FBI (100-3-116) -988

JUNE

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
NEURO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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Reurlet March 5, 1964, which forwarded to the Bureau under separate cover a tape of a recording of a conversation which took place February 29, 1964.

Bulet March 12, 1964, requested advice as to why the tape was forwarded to the Bureau and what disposition your office desired made of the tape. Your letter March 17, 1964, requested that the tape be returned. Enclosed herewith is the tape in question.

Enclosure

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116) DATE: 3/5/64
PERSONAL ATTENTION: ASSISTANT
DIRECTOR SULLIVAN OR JOSEPH SIZOO

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-6520-E) J U N E

SUBJECT: CP, USA
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
IS-C

For the benefit of the Bureau, there is being submitted under separate cover a tape recording of a conversation between MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. and CLARENCE JONES, New York Attorney, which took place on 2/29/64. This conversation concerns plans for having STANLEY LEVISON and ADELE CANTOR of New York come to SCLC, Atlanta, Georgia. They are only referred to as "our friends" on the tape.

JONES and KING also discuss the question of whether to take BAYARD RUSTIN of New York City on with SCLC. A Letterhead Memorandum was forwarded 3/2/64 setting forth information concerning the conversation about RUSTIN. Other information on the tape which pertains to the conversation between KING and JONES was submitted in a separate airtel dated 3/2/64 captioned CP, USA, Negro Question, Communist Influence in Racial Matters, IS-C and MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM-C.

The tape is being submitted Registered Mail under separate cover. It is labeled "JUNE" on the inside wrappers and is also marked Personal Attention Assistant Director SULLIVAN or JOSEPH SIZOO. There is nothing enclosed which will identify it.

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EX 103

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DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION - FBI

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 - Mr. Domzalski
 - Mrs. Dorset
 - Miss Lewis
 - Mrs. Liskey
 - Miss Williams
 - Mr. Decker
 - Mr. Rachner
 - Reading Room
 - Mr. Sizoo
 - Mr. Moore
 - Mr. Baumgardner
 - Mr. Bland
 - Mr. Branigan
 - Mr. Brennan
 - Mr. Smith
 - Mr. Wannall
 - Foreign Liaison,
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 - Note & Return
 - Correct
 - Initial & Return
 - Mechanical Section
 - Teletype Rm., 5646
 - Information Desk
 - Mail Room
 - Records Branch

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J. A. SIZOO
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FOR TELEPHONIC BRIEFING OF DETROIT OFFICE

Known Information as to King's
Presence in Detroit

King arrived in Detroit sometime yesterday (3-18-64) with Bernard Lee, Field Secretary, SCLC. They are to be in Detroit all of today (3-19-64) and until late afternoon of tomorrow (3-20-64) when they will likely fly to the Canton-Akron (Ohio) airport. King is scheduled to speak at the "Central Church," Detroit -- probably today (19th) although there is possibility it might be the 20th. Arrangements made through FNU Dewar (PH), Detroit phone 965-5422. Dewar making arrangements for Phillip Lynard (PH). Dewar and Lynard believed connected with "Central Church."

(1) Give Detroit general briefing on our goal as to coverage of King, citing Willard and Honolulu-Los Angeles experiences.
STRESS THAT SECURITY IS PARAMOUNT.

(2) Determine where King is staying.

(a) Files may reveal where he has previously stayed in Detroit.

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(b) Pretext calls to selected first-rate hotels -- he always goes first class.

(c) Pretext to "Central Church."

(d) There is likely news publicity on his presence in Detroit and same may reveal where he is staying. Under no circumstances should any request be made of any news media contacts no matter how established and reliable they may be.

(3) Once it is determined where King is staying, does that hotel have an established reliable source? We must deal through only one person at the hotel.

(4) Will it be possible to effect necessary coverage on King's room? Consider use of the remote-type equipment. Will you be able to get a near-by room from which to work if remote-type equipment is used?

- 2 -

(5) Imperative that only the most proficient personnel be used. Pick your very best men for this type of operation without regard to what squads they may be assigned to.

(6) Be alert to the possibility that King may be given police protection as he has in the past in which event it may dictate actions you will take, especially if the police are stationed near his hotel room.

(7) Take no positive action as to any installation without receiving prior Bureau authority. This phone call, however, may be considered as authority for necessary survey

(8) While there is no indication that the following two individuals are to be in Detroit, be alert for their presence as they have previously engaged in these "entertainments" with King. One is King's Executive Assistant, Wyatt Walker, and the other is Reverend Logan Kearsse of Baltimore. Both are Negroes and Kearsse has been known to act as "procurer" for these entertainment

(9) If developments are favorable and a "party" comes off with good coverage by the Bureau, we would consider, if all circumstances were favorable, having such a party raided by the police. However, this would require diligent planning and prior Bureau authority. While it is not likely this will come to pass in Detroit, it is worth keeping in the back of the mind.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-3-116)

DATE: 3/17/64

JUNE

FROM : SAC, Atlanta (100-6520)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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ReBulet 3/12/64 and previous Bureau communications which furnished observations concerning recent handling by the Atlanta Office of information being obtained through highly sensitive sources.

The specific question raised in Bulet 3/12/64 concerning the reason why a tape recording was furnished to the Bureau and the disposition of same is answered as follows. The office mistakenly thought that Bureau officials might be interested in listening to this particular recording. It is requested that this tape be returned to the Atlanta Office.

Based on Bureau comments in this general matter the ASAC and myself have held a lengthy conference with those individuals, including the supervisor of the squad, responsible for this case and technique in the Atlanta Office. A complete airing of procedures that are to be followed in maintaining this installation, appropriate dissemination of significant information, necessary investigative steps to be taken therefrom and detailed coordination and paper work procedures have been reviewed. It is the sincere belief of this office that the constructive observations raised by the Bureau will be fully heeded and followed. It is anticipated that this installation and results therefrom will be handled in strict accordance with existing procedures in the security field.

Without offering any excuse it is pointed out that certain administrative problems in initiating this coverage have been ironed out and responsibilities fixed, it being borne in mind that this office has not been actively engaged in such a field for some previous time.

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The only positive observation that this office can furnish at this time is that in view of the fact that the experience on this surveillance now covers approximately a five-months period, it is felt that a worthwhile evaluation based on the experience to date would serve a specific purpose at this time. It is suggested that this be accomplished by a conference of the necessary Bureau officials and two representatives from this office made up of either the SAC or ASAC and the supervisor directly responsible for this activity. In view of the direct relationship between coverage being afforded in the New York area in this general subject matter it would appear that the appropriate representative or representatives of that office could also profitably attend such a one-day conference.

In the absence of the Bureau's opinion or an observation on the above this office will continue to stringently control this installation in accordance with the Bureau's desires.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-3-116)

DATE: 3/13/64

FROM : SAC, Atlanta (100-6820)

J U N E

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

ReDulet 3/9/64 captioned as above setting forth the Bureau's observations relative to various sensitivity sources in the Atlanta Office.

The Bureau's observations relative to placing on tape all telephone calls deemed important has been called to the attention of appropriate personnel. In this connection it is pointed out that normally it is not possible to determine whether a telephone call is important or unimportant until after the call has been placed and the contents of the call noted. However, appropriate personnel have been instructed that if there is any indication whatsoever that a telephone call is an important one they should resolve the matter by placing the call on tape for future reference.

With respect to the phonetic interpretation of certain unusual names received from these confidential sources, we have placed these calls on tape but after playing back the tapes we still at times can make no more positive interpretation than that made at the outset when the call was initially heard. As the Bureau is aware, individuals making the calls use abbreviations, slang, colloquialisms, have regional accents, and at times talk like they have a "mouth full of mush." We have noted that often the same name is used more than once in a particular conversation and each time the name is used it sounds different. This is particularly true if the name used is an unusual one. In many instances it is highly likely that two, or even more, possible phonetic interpretations can be made from the tapes, particularly if the individual is from some other area of the country and is unknown to this office. As a result the most logical sounding interpretation of the name is utilized. Regardless of this, appropriate personnel have been cautioned that they must be absolutely accurate and every effort will be made to report a correct analysis of the information obtained.

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With respect to travel of the individuals involved, past experience has shown that on frequent occasions we will receive information with respect to confirmed reservations for various flights throughout the country. If we do have this information the Bureau and interested offices are, of course, immediately advised. Subsequently we have noted that these reservations will be cancelled with very little notice and entirely different arrangements made immediately thereafter. In instances of this nature the interested office is immediately advised telephonically.

A characteristic of the main personality involved in this investigation reflects that he normally leaves his residence or office for the airport thirty minutes prior to flight time. It is a normal 30-minute drive to the airport and leaves little, if any, time for boarding a plane. On occasions personnel of his office have detained flights for him for five to ten minute intervals so that he might make certain flights, and generally he is the last person to board any flight. This dilatory tactic has resulted in some flight plan cancellations. This relaxed and carefree attitude has caused a variance in flights reportedly to be taken by the principal personality and flights actually utilized. When this situation does develop every effort is made to follow by phone call with correct travel plans.

Specifically as to the flight on 2/29/64 KING made request for reservations on the United Flight leaving around 2:00 A.M., according to source. Source reported he had confirmed reservations on 2:15 A.M. United flight #350, which information was furnished New York. Error occurred in the reduction process of monitoring results. Every effort will be made to avoid this type error in the future.

All appropriate personnel have been personally instructed by me that they must take every possible precaution to insure that all information reported is absolute accurate.

They have also been instructed that if there is any question as to the accuracy of information full explanations must accompany the reported data and that every logical step must be taken to insure that nothing is reported that is not accurate.

ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

SAC, Atlanta (100-6520)

3/12/64

Director, FBI (100-3-116)

PERSONAL ATTENTION

J U N E

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA

NEGRO QUESTION

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

INTERNAL SECURITY - C

- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner (Field Supervision)
- 1 - Mr. Rosack
- 1 - Mr. Phillips

Reference is made to Bureau "June" letter to your personal attention 3/9/64 which furnished certain observations relative to recent handling by your office of information being obtained through highly sensitive sources.

Another matter has come to the Bureau's attention relative to your office's handling of information from these highly sensitive sources which necessitates further evaluation of your office's administrative handling of captioned investigation.

By airtel 3/2/64 to the Bureau, copies to New York, your office submitted a letterhead memorandum (LHM) of same date under the title of "Communist Infiltration of Southern Christian Leadership Conference, IS - C." This was followed by another airtel to the Bureau, copies to New York, dated 3/2/64 which also enclosed an LHM of same date under the same Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) title. The latter airtel and LHM were submitted under cover of still another airtel dated 3/5/64, copies of which were also furnished to New York. The 3/5/64 airtel noted that it was serving as a cover for corrected copies of an airtel dated 3/2/64 and that previous copies of the original airtel and LHM should be destroyed. It also noted that your office had originally failed to designate copies for the New York and Bureau files on the SCLC but was making such designation by means of the revised airtel and LHM.

The Bureau received a fourth communication from your office, a radiogram dated 3/5/64, which instructed that

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Letter to Atlanta
RE: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
100-3-116

Bureau "hold dissemination of LHM forwarded to the Bureau and New York by airtel dated 3/2/64." The radiogram explained that a conversation originally described as between Harold Luther King, Jr. and Harry Wachtel was actually between King and Clarence Jones.

Your office's handling of a discovered error in an LHM, as evidenced by the above-described communications, was somewhat less than desirable on two main points. A close examination of the original LHM and the revised version revealed that these five-page LHM's are exactly alike except for two to three lines in the first paragraph of page 1. Good judgment would have dictated that the most expedient and efficient manner for handling the correction necessary would have been to prepare a revised page 1 rather than a completely new LHM five pages in length. It would also have dictated the desirability for submitting only a very brief cover communication relative to the desired change and thus saved the preparation of almost all of your second airtel dated 3/2/64. Further, there was no necessity for submitting the airtel of 3/5/64 which served only as a cover for a revised 3/2/64 airtel. The fact that you desired to submit extra copies of the LHM for additional dissemination to Bureau and New York files on the SCLC could have been handled either by routing slip or merely left to the discretion of the Bureau and New York for their own reproduction and dissemination procedures. From the foregoing it is obvious that considerable needless clerical, stenographic, Agent and supervisory efforts were expended.

The second undesirable aspect of your office's handling of this matter involves that of timing. The Bureau does not definitely know when your office first discovered the error made in the original LHM. It may have been as early as 3/2/64, which is the date of the revised LHM, or as late as 3/5/64 when your office submitted the radiogram instructing that dissemination be held up. Whenever it was

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that the error was found, your office should have taken the most expeditious means available (telephone) to advise the Bureau to hold up dissemination. You would thus be taking all possible action to prevent an embarrassing situation arising wherein the Bureau might be required to write corrective correspondence to outside agencies. For your information, it was only by a stroke of good fortune that the Bureau was able to prevent dissemination of the incorrect LHM after receipt of the radiogram.

The Bureau is also in receipt of your "June" letter of 3/5/64 forwarding a tape recording of the conversation between King and Jones referred to in the LHM's discussed above. Nowhere in this 3/5/64 communication is it stated as to why the recording is being furnished the Bureau, it being noted that your office does not normally submit to the Bureau recordings in this case. The Bureau can only assume that possibly you submitted the recording because of the error which had occurred in the original LHM. If that be the case, such reason should have been indicated in your letter of 3/5/64. If it was some other reason, same should have been stated.

You are instructed to advise the Bureau by return communication as to the reason why the recording was furnished to the Bureau and the disposition you desire made of the recording.

Relative to your request as to destruction of the original airtel and LHM, be advised that it is contrary to Bureau record-keeping procedures to destroy originals of any communications even though they contain errors. The usual procedure is to retain the originals with appropriate notations as to the errors.

Instant communication as well as the referred to Bureau letter of 3/9/64 would indicate the necessity for some reassessment relative to your office's handling of matters in captioned case, particularly those relating to information being obtained from highly sensitive sources.

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Correspondence in this and related cases is extremely heavy. You should examine closely the matter of personnel allotment to captioned and related cases and take such steps as are necessary to insure that sufficient personnel are assigned to this case to, in turn, insure it is receiving the meticulous attention warranted. The conference had at the Seat of Government with personnel of your office in December, 1963, highlighted the importance which the Bureau has attached to captioned case. There has been no change. This is still one of the most important cases being handled by the Bureau in the security field. It is absolutely imperative that there be no letdown in the necessary time and attention being devoted to this matter.

The Bureau would be receptive to obtaining any observations or recommendations your office may have relative to the matters discussed herein.

ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

SAC, Atlanta (100-6520)

March 9, 1964

PERSONAL ATTENTION

Director, FBI (100-3-116)

JUNE

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
NEURO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

1-Mr. Baumgardner
(Field Supervision)
1-Mr. Forsyth
1-Mr. Donohue
1-Mr. Phillips

Reference is made to telephone calls between the Bureau and your office 3/2/64 concerning the clarity of information obtained on 2/23/64 through highly sensitive sources [AT 1330-S* and AT 1331-S*]. It was then learned that tapes had not been made of the conversations involved. A specific matter in question pertained to the full identity of a Mr. Carter of the State Department. During one conversation his first name was reported by the monitoring employee as "Geoffrey" (phonetic). During another conversation his first name was reported by the monitoring employee as "Godfrey" (phonetic). There were only logs and the memory of the monitoring employees to call upon in an effort to clarify the matter.

The Bureau has noted some recent instances where information obtained from these sensitive sources, when received at the Bureau, was in error. It, of course, is not clearly known as to whether the error occurred in the monitoring process or in the reduction of the information to communications received at the Bureau. For example, your radiogram of 2/26/64 reported that Martin Luther King, Jr., and his aide, Bernard Lee, have reservations on United Air Lines Flight 301 leaving Atlanta at 2 a.m., 2/29 next. The information was telephonically furnished the New York Office. A check with United Air Lines revealed that it had no Flight Number 301 but that its Flight Number 300 left Atlanta 2:45 a.m., destination Kennedy International Airport 4:35 a.m. Then a telephonic check was made by the Bureau with New York, it was revealed that your office had furnished the information to New York correctly. Another matter concerned information obtained through these sensitive sources to the effect that the C.P. (phonetic) was offering Wyatt Walker a position. After considerable research and inquiry into this matter, your letter of 3/3/64 advised that sometimes Bayard (referring

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NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
100-3-116

to Bayard Rustin) and Wyatt (referring to Wyatt Walker) sound alike phonetically. For reasons given by your office, it was believed that the original reference should probably have been to Rustin rather than Walker.

The Bureau recognizes that the obtaining of information from these sensitive sources requires meticulous care and attention, particularly in view of the manner of expression of most of the individuals concerned. It is therefore suggested that if your office is not presently preparing tapes relative to these sources, you immediately undertake to have tapes prepared concerning the more important conversations monitored. This, of course, will require close attention by the monitoring employees, who will need to be extremely alert to recognize the importance of matters discussed and thus be able to activate the necessary recordings. In the case referred to above concerning Mr. Carter, there would have been an immediate alert to the importance of the matter by nature of the fact that Carter identified himself as with the State Department.

The foregoing is submitted for your consideration and action. Advise the Bureau of any observations you may have and the action you propose to take in pursuance of the above.

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Relative to your request for destruction of the original airtel and [redacted] and [redacted] in contrary to Bureau record-keeping procedure to destroy originals of any communication, it is noted that the usual procedure is to retain the originals with appropriate notations as to the errors.

In light of instruction [redacted] referred to Bureau letter [redacted] and [redacted] necessity for some re-examination relative to your office's handling of matters in or related to, particularly those relating to information being obtained from highly sensitive sources.

Letter to Atlanta
RE: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
MEMO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFERENCE IN PACIFIC THEATRE
100-3-110

Correspondence in this area is extremely heavy. You should examine all assignments to captioned activity and take such steps as are necessary to insure that personnel are assigned to their case file. It is receiving the noticable attention of the Staff of your office had at the Seat of Government in December, 1957. In addition, the Bureau has attached to the file a change. This is still being handled by the Bureau and is absolutely imperative that the necessary time and attention be given to this matter.

The Bureau would like to receive observations or comments relative to the matters mentioned above. It is necessary to obtain any information which the Bureau may have on this matter.

Letter to Atlanta
RE: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
RECORD QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116) DATE: 3/5/64
 PERSONAL ATTN.: ASST. DIRECTOR WILLIAM C. SULLIVAN,
 DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIV.

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-243450)

SUBJECT: CP, UCA JUNE
 NEGRO QUESTION
 COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
 IS - C
 (OO: Atlanta)

Re Los Angeles letter to Bureau 2/24/64, captioned as above.

Bureau equipment utilized in misur **MISUR** (LA 4492-S*) which had been installed in suites 51D and 52D, Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, California, was removed on 3/4/64.

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JUNE

February 28, 1964

Re your telephone call today.

The tapes and transcriptions have been sent by separate communication under the caption "CP USA, Negro Question, Communist Influence in Racial Matters," dated 2/27/64. These tapes were extremely difficult to "read" in view of the constant playing of the TV and/or radio, coupled with the intermittent landing of airplanes.

Concerning Dolores Evans, she continues to reside in the same residence as her husband, Dr. Theodore Evans, 750 West Figueroa Drive, Altadena. There has been no change in court action and they are both scheduled to appear in court on March 4, 1964, concerning the granting of the interlocutory decree of divorce.

Concerning Dorothy E. Boswell, whose full name is Dorothy H. Boswell, she first came to the attention of this office on 2/18/64 when King and Walker were departing for Honolulu from Los Angeles with the then unidentified third man who was subsequently identified as Logan Kearse. It was observed that a woman driving a Chevrolet Nova, California license GMX 770, had accompanied Kearse to the airport on 2/18/64. This car was registered to Dorothy Boswell, 8111 South Harvard Boulevard, Los Angeles, Calif.

Boswell is divorced from Manisee Boswell, Jr., place unknown. She came to Los Angeles from Cleveland, Ohio about 1959, having been employed by the U. S. Navy at 1901 East 13th Street, Cleveland from September, 1950, to June, 1959. In addition she had part-time employment at the St. James AME Church there. She currently is employed by the Air Force Systems Command, Space Systems Division, 5740 Arbor Vitae, Inglewood, California, having been so employed since September 1959. She is a Negro.

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Following return of King, et al to Los Angeles, after checking in the Ambassador Hotel on 2/20/64, Kearse during the early morning hours of 2/21/64 called telephone number 758-3839 and invited this female to come to the hotel. Telephone number 758-3839 is listed to Boswell.

After departure from the Ambassador Hotel, King and Kearse and the two women arrived at the Hyatt House about 8:30 PM, 2/21/64. Kearse was driving above-mentioned Chevrolet Nova,

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GMX 770, and the two women disembarked from the car at the street and walked up a long driveway to the hotel office. Five minutes later as the women were departing the hotel office, Boswell's car pulled in the driveway of the hotel, at which time King and Kearse were observed registering.

It is not known how long Boswell stayed at the Hyatt House; however, her car was observed at her residence about 9:00 AM on the morning of 2/22/64. Later on the morning of 2/22/64 she was observed to return to the Hyatt House and was observed in the company of Walker and Sheffey.

She was not observed after 2/22/64. It is noted that Kearse left Los Angeles for Baltimore on the night of 2/22/64.

Concerning the registrations at the Ambassador, the rooms were taken under the names of Martin Luther King and Wyatt T. Walker. *Calif Calif Ga*

The hotel register at the Hyatt House reflects the following: Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Walker, 334 Auburn Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia, were assigned Room 224 on 2/21/64 and were checked out at 9:22 AM, 2/25/64. Martin Luther King, Jr., 334 Auburn Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia, and Dr. Logan Kearse, *Calif* 1627 Bolton Street, Baltimore, Maryland, were assigned Room 152. Records indicate that both of these individuals were checked out as of 9:25 AM, 2/25/64.

Mrs. Dolores Evans, 750 West Figueroa Drive, Altadena, was assigned Room 290 on 2/21/64 and according to records, she checked out from this room at 2:12 PM, 2/24/64. No record of any registration was located for the name of Boswell or Sheffey at the Hyatt House.

It cannot be determined if there was any change in companions on the part of King. It is felt that the girl with him on the night and in the early morning hours of 2/23-24/64 was, in fact, Evans. The only doubt about this conclusion is that the female companion in Room 152 stated she had to be at work at 8:00 AM and, according to available information, Evans is not employed. Evans was subsequently observed in the company of King on the afternoon of 2/24/64.

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Date: 2/28/64

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY - REGISTERED
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)
 (Immediate Personal Attention
 Assistant Director N. C. SULLIVAN)

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-51914A)

RE : COMMUNIST PARTY, USA - NEGRO QUESTION
 COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
 IS - C

JUNE
5-13-64

Re telephone call from Inspector JOSEPH SIZOO,

2/28/64.

Under separate cover are 9 reels of recorded tape covering the transcription forwarded to you by letter 2/27/64.

Reel 1 covers page 1 through paragraph 2 of page 2 of the transcription; Reel 2 covers from paragraph 3 to the middle of the bottom paragraph on page 2 of the transcription; Reel 3 starts at the bottom of page 2 and continues through page 7 of the transcription; Reels 4, 5 and 1A cover pages 8 and 9, with most of this transcription appearing in better form on Reel 1A.

Reel 5 continues at the top of page 10 of the transcription and runs through paragraph 4 of page 11; Reel 6 starts thereafter and runs through page 14 of the transcription; the first part of Reel 6 was taken through a good wired microphone; Reel 7 begins at the top of page 15 and runs through the second entry on the top of page 27; Reel 8 takes the remaining portion of the transcription.

Reels 1A, 6 and 7 are the most understandable. Filters were used to transcribe some portions of the other reels because of extraneous noises which existed at the time of the recording.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-24345B)

SUBJECT: CP, USA, NEGRO QUESTION
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
IS - C

DATE: 2/27/64

PERSONAL
ATTENTION: ASSISTANT
DIRECTOR W. C. SULLIVAN,
DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE
DIVISION

JUNE

Under separate cover are enclosed three reels of tape numbered HH1, HH2, HH3, obtained through coverage of Room 152, Hyatt House Hotel, 5547 West Century, Los Angeles.

Enclosed herewith are (two) copies of results of review of these tapes, as well as review of the logs maintained by monitoring personnel. No copies are being retained at Los Angeles.

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To: SAC, Atlanta (100-5586)

JUNE

From: Director, FBI (100-106670)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

~~SECURITY MATTER - C~~

Reurairtel 9-18-63 and Buairtel 9-6-63.

Your airtel indicated source at Southern Bell Telephone Company, Atlanta, Georgia, was expected to be available 9-23-63. To date no information has been received as to the status of the survey for installation of tesur on subject and Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Advise by return airtel the status of the survey or whether your source is still unavailable.

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FBI

Date: 9/18/63

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Via AIRTEL REGISTERED MAIL
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

JUNE

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5586)

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.
SM-C

Re Bureau airtel dated 9/6/63.

Source at Southern Bell Telephone, Atlanta, Ga.,
unavailable for contact to obtain necessary data in regard
to survey under absolute secure conditions.

Source will be available 9/23/63 for such contact.

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____

Special Agent in Charge

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WCS*

DATE: September 6, 1963

FROM : Mr. J. F. Bland *JFB*

JUNE

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - *C*

- 1 - Mr. Belmont *JFB*
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Operation foreign intelligence

Martin Luther King, Jr., the well-known Southern Negro leader who is President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), is being closely advised by Stanley Levison, a New York attorney and secret member of the Communist Party (CP). He has made the statement that King is a "wholehearted Marxist who has studied it (Marxism), believes in it, agrees with it, but because of his being a minister of religion does not dare to espouse it publicly." Levison has appeared before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee and refused to answer questions concerning his membership in the CP. Levison continues to act as advisor to King. In June of 1962, he recommended that King hire Hunter Pitts O'Dell as an administrative assistant. King, acting upon this advice, hired O'Dell in this capacity but on November 2, 1962, as a result of a newspaper article identifying O'Dell as a communist, King announced that O'Dell had resigned from this position and his resignation had been accepted. However, as late as August 30, 1963, O'Dell has been observed by Agents of the FBI entering and leaving the SCLC office in New York City. O'Dell, under the pseudonym Cornelius James, was elected to the National Committee of the CP in 1959.

Information developed during August, 1963, indicates that King, who is married, maintains intimate relationships with at least three women, one in Atlanta, one in Mt. Vernon, New York, and one in Washington, D. C.

OBSERVATIONS:

King's duplicity is amply illustrated in his public announcements concerning O'Dell's lack of connections with the SCLC although, as mentioned above, O'Dell was observed entering and leaving the New York office of the SCLC as late as August 30, 1963. King's extramarital affairs while posing as a minister of the gospel leave him highly susceptible to coercion and possible blackmail and, most important, in view of his continued close association and willingness to accept advice and submit to the influence of such communists as Levison and O'Dell, we should have as complete coverage as possible of King's activities. A large part of the information set out above as well as a great deal of additional information of interest has been developed through technical coverage of close

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associates of King, such as Stanley Levison and Clarence B. Jones, a former member of the Labor Youth League who is head of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights of which King is honorary chairman, as well as the offices of the above society. It is believed that additional data of extreme interest in this matter could be obtained through technical coverage of King's residence in Atlanta and the Atlanta and New York offices of the SCLC.

RECOMMENDATION:

There is attached a proposed airtel instructing Atlanta to conduct a survey as to the feasibility of installing a technical surveillance on King's residence, as well as the offices of the SCLC. Copies of this airtel are also being forwarded to the New York Office with instructions to conduct a similar survey on the New York office of the SCLC.

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Atlanta is directed to conduct a survey for tesur on the headquarters of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) and the residence of Martin Luther King, Jr.

New York is instructed to conduct a similar survey on the New York office of the SCLC.

Full security should be assured prior to making this survey.

NOTE:

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